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The New York Times.

THE WEATHER
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AID OF BAFF'S FOES BARES THEIR PLOTS

Rettich Yields After Night in Cell and Tells Full Story to Whitman.

LINKS COHENS WITH MOORE

Bartender Received $250 from One of the Brothers, "for Lawyers," He Says.

After defying the District Attorney for two days and spending one night in the Tombs for contempt of court, Carl Rettich, the Hoboken bartender, yielded to Mr. Whitman late yesterday afternoon and told what he knew concerning the murder of Barnet Baff. He will be taken before the Grand Jury this morning to repeat his remarkable story. Indictments are expected to follow, although Mr. Whitman will not ask for them today.

Rettich, who now has become the most important witness in the Baff case, did not weaken in his stubborn opposition to the District Attorney until his brother, Walter Rettich, a traveling salesman, and his lawyer, Abraham Harawitz, persistently urged him to do so. He began to talk freely to Mr Whitman after the Grand Jury had adjourned, so his appearance as a witness had to be postponed until today. He was locked up in the Tombs again last night, and even if he proves as tractable today as is predicted he may be detained longer as a material witness.

The young bartender, according to his admissions to the District Attorney, was the medium through whom men connected with the Hoboken and Weehawken poultry yards communicated when they could not or did not want to meet personally. The saloon in which he tended bar was the rendezvous for various classes of poultrymen, and messages and money were left with Rettich by certain persons to be delivered to others. He also was engaged to perform services for some of the poultrymen.

It was in this capacity of medium or go-between that Rettich became familiar with the machinations of the poultry workers and came to know which cliques and individuals were friendly and which were hostile to each other.

Rettich told the District Attorney that "Joe" and "Jake" Cohen were associated very closely with James Moore, thus giving added weight to Moore's confession that the Cohens hired him to assault Pearson. Furthermore, Rettich said, the two Cohens and Moore met in his saloon on Wednesday morning a week ago, the day on which Moore was arrested for the assault on Pearson and two days before the Cohens were arrested. His story, it was said, absolutely "tied up Moore with the Cohens."

Received $250 from Cohen.

His confession that he had received $250 from one of the Cohens was considered even more significant. It could not be learned just what he got this money for, or when it was given to him, but he said it was paid over "for lawyers," and the supposition is that one of the Cohens gave it to him to use in the defense of "any of the boys" who might get into trouble. At the time the money was passed it had become evident among the poultry handlers that the police were getting dangerously close to some of them.

As a matter of fact, Moore was arrested on Wednesday afternoon, and Rettich did engage the services of Mr. Harawitz for him. Then he himself was arrested, and he retained the lawyer in his own interest. He admitted in his confession that $50 of the $250 was paid to Mr. Harawitz as a retainer, but he did not explain to the satisfaction of District Attorney Whitman where the other $200 went. He will be questioned particularly on this point today.

After his talk with Rettich Mr. Whitman was optimistic. He would not predict any indictment at any specific time, but said that he felt hopeful of ultimate results. It was learned, however, that, although indictments probably will be found against the gunmen who shot Baff and two or three who immediately procured and paid them, the District Attorney's office is having great difficulty in tracing the murder plot to any of the retail buyers in the market who were Baff's business rivals. The difficulty lies in the fact that there are no records of any communication between the buyers in the Manhattan market and the poultry workers whose business is principally in New Jersey. It is almost impossible to establish a connection between them unless the man commonly regarded as the connecting link confesses, which there is slight hope of his doing.

Three or four buyers, knowing the hostility felt toward Baff by the poultry truckmen and handlers, may have made up a sum of money, handed it to a boss handler or truckmen with the injunction "Get Baff," and withdrawn from the conspiracy confident that their contribution and the enmity of the New Jersey men would bring the desired result. Such a connection between conspirators, it has been admitted, would be very difficult to establish in a law court.

Three Eyewitnesses Heard.

The Grand Jury sat in the morning and heard three men who were eyewitnesses to the shooting and who are expected to identify the gunmen. Their names were kept secret by the District Attorney's office until yesterday, and their addresses are still concealed. They were Robert Redfield, Sam Ferster, and Isidore Gorkin. All were said to be buyers in the West Washington Market.

Isidore Baff, the dead man's youngest son, was also a witness before the Grand Jury. While not so well acquainted with his father's business as is his older brother, Harry, he is better acquainted with what might be called the market "underworld." He had charge of his father's trucking for some time, and this work put him in touch with the handlers at the Jersey freight yards. He knows them and is more or less familiar with conditions among them. For this reason he was able to explain many things that Harry Baff, when he is called as a witness, will not be able to touch upon.

Policeman Kelly, who made the police report of the murder and was one of the first patrolmen at the scene of the shooting, was the last witness. His testimony was more or less routine.

Another witness introduced in the case yesterday was Louis Alteri, for whom detectives had been looking for five days. He was produced by Mr. Harawitz, who, when he heard the man was wanted, accompanied him at once to Mr. Whitman's office. What part the witness was expected to play in the investigation could not be learned, but it was said that he was expected to furnish corroboration to parts of Moore's and Rettich's stories. He was described as a friend of Rettich, but beyond that his identity could not be learned. He went to see Mr. Harawitz voluntarily

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Oslers Thank Americans for Belgian Professors

By Cable to the Editor of THE NEW YORK TIMES.

OXFORD, Dec. 23.—May we, through you, send thanks and Christmas greetings from twenty-one Belgian Professors and their families, comfortably settled largely through the great generosity of the Rockefeller Foundation and of our friends in New York, Philadelphia, Boston, and Baltimore?

WILLIAM OSLER.
GRACE REVERE OSLER.

Sir William Osler, who signs the message above, is Regius Professor of Medicine at Oxford, and was formerly at Johns Hopkins University. Lady Osler is the daughter of the late John Revere of Boston.

PUTS SHIP TRANSFERS UNDER CLOSE SCRUTINY

British Order in Council Requires License Before Registry Can Be Changed.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—An order in council has been issued prohibiting the transfer of British ships to foreign register unless a license for the purpose is obtained from the British Board of Trade.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Neither the British Embassy nor the State Department had been notified tonight of the order in council issued at London prohibiting the transfer of British ships to foreign register unless a license for the purpose was obtained from the British Board of Trade. But officials directly concerned were not surprised that such an order had been issued and regarded it merely as a repetition of what has been virtually required by the British merchant shipping act.

The opinion was expressed here that the new order in council was not intended as a drive at the ship transfer arrangements under the new ship registry law. On the contrary, it was believed, it was said, that the new order was intended to make definite and plain what the British Shipping act required, because the new order appeared to be substantially what the existing British law required, which was that whenever a British ship was transferred to foreign registry the British registry should be closed. This ordinarily could be done by order of council or by notice to the British Board of Trade.

Up to date about 103 ships have been transferred from foreign to American registry under the new law. About 70 of these have been British ships and about 20 German ships. In the case of all the British ships the companies making the transfer were American-owned companies or American-controlled companies.

$50,000 TO INSURE LINER.

$10,000,000 Policy Bought for Lusitania's Two Crossings.

The Cunard Line has paid a premium of $50,000 to insure the Lusitania for $10,000,000 on her voyage from England to America and back again. This is one of the highest prices ever paid for a single marine insurance policy.

The insurance expires on the return of the steamship to port in England and will cover a period of about three weeks.

WAR NEWS FOR CHRISTMAS.

British Censor Abandons Plan for a Thirty-Hour Holiday.

The intention of the British Press Bureau to suspend operation from 2 P. M. today until 9 o'clock Christmas night has been abandoned, according to an announcement sent out last night by the Western Union Telegraph Company. The original plan would have held back all news dispatches through London for thirty-one hours, for the censors who must pass on all matter would have been off duty.

The Western Union's announcement says:

"Referring to recent newspaper articles regarding the change in censorship arrangements over the Christmas holidays, the Western Union Telegraph Company announces that it is informed that there will be no change in the arrangements over the holidays."

5 TEUTONS FOR 1 BRITON.

Germany's Offer to Exchange Civilian Prisoners Declined.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 24. — Efforts were recently made officially, says The Daily Telegraph, to ascertain whether Germany would consent to an exchange of civilian prisoners interned in England and Germany. The newspaper adds that Germany's reply, just received, demands that the exchange be on a basis of the release of five Germans to one Englishman.

"Germany maintains," the newspaper says, "that this is the only equitable basis, as there are many more German prisoners in England than there are Englishmen in Germany. It is needless to say that Great Britain declined the proposal."

BRUSSELS RANSOM WAIVED?

London Express Says Whitlock Protested Against Its Imposition.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 24.—A dispatch to The Daily Express from Amsterdam says:

"The Germans at Brussels have withdrawn their demand for a new war contribution of $100,000,000, presumably owing to the protest of the American Minister, who asserted that the levy violated the Hague convention."

OPIUM ON LUSITANIA.

Two Members of Cunard Liner's Crew Held for Smuggling It In.

Charged with smuggling 150 cans of opium, each can said to be worth $50, William Thompson, 32 years old, and Joseph Marron, 33 years old, the former an attendant and the latter a fireman on the Lusitania, were locked up in the West Twentieth Street Station last night by Albert Hokensen, an Inspector of customs

According to Hokensen the opium was found in the possession of the two men after the steamer docked late yesterday afternoon.

"No holiday meal complete without a bottle of ANGOSTURA BITTERS, a splendid tonic."—Advt.

NEW YORK CENTRAL DIVIDEND ON FEB. 1.

Directors of New Company Order Usual 1 1-4 Per Cent. Quarterly Payment.

ORGANIZATION COMPLETED

Directorate Increased to Fifteen by Election of Two Lake Shore Directors.

Directors of the New York Central Railroad yesterday declared the usual quarterly dividend of 1¼ per cent., payable on Feb. 1. The distribution was ordered by the first meeting of Directors of the consolidated company, which was made possible by the ratification on Tuesday by shareholders of the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern of the merger of their property with the Central. The new company has $300,000,000 of stock which will be exchanged for old New York Central stock share for share, and for outstanding Lake Shore shares at the ratio of five new for one old.

Declaration of the regular dividend relieved apprehension that existed in some quarters that the dividend would be deferred. The Directors at a meeting early in the month announced that they had decided not to act on the quarterly payment until the consolidation had been effected, when the new Directorate could vote. The only change to result from the postponement of the decision was that the disbursement was ordered for Feb. 1 instead of the customary date, Jan. 15.

The Directors completed their organization by electing officers for the year. The Directorate was increased from thirteen to fifteen members by the election of Leonard J. Hackney of Cincinnati and Frank J. Jerome of Cleveland, former Directors of the Lake Shore. President A. H. Smith was elected President of the consolidated company and the other executive officers were transferred from the old to the new organization.

The consolidation will be finally perfected on Jan. 1 and thereafter the road will be known as the New York Central Railroad, omitting the part of the old title covering the Hudson River properties. The principal offices will be retained at Albany, as heretofore, with the Treasurer's office and transfer department at the Grand Central terminal.

The Lake Shore directors at their usual quarterly meeting, a few weeks ago, also decided to take no action on the dividend. As the road has lost its entity in the merger, dividends will have no more consideration and Lake Shore stockholders will hereafter receive payments from their holdings of New York Central stock. As a matter of fact, nearly all the Lake Shore shares are believed to be in the treasury of the New York Central. The company offered in November to buy at $500 a share all Lake Shore stock that was not exchanged for shares in the consolidaeed company, and the offer was generally accepted.

DECLARES CUT IN DIVIDEND.

Pennsylvania Company Blames Decrease of Traffic.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—The Pennsylvania Company, the parent company of the Pennsylvania Railroad's lines west of Pittsburgh, declared a semi-annual dividend of 1 per cent. today, making 4 per cent. for the year, a reduction of 3 per cent. compared with previous years.

In announcing the action on the dividend, the Directors of the Pennsylvania Company stated that the "reduction was due chiefly to the large decrease of traffic and a material reduction in the revenue on the lines west of Pittsburgh."

All the stock of the Pennsylvania Company is owned by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

REJECT WYVIL AS COUNSEL.

Boundary Commission Won't Pay Salary of Bryan's Former Secretary.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The controversy over the appointment of Secretary Bryan's former private secretary, Manton M. Wyvil of Ithaca, N. Y., as counsel for the International Boundary Commission has broken out afresh because of the refusal of the members of the commission to accept the services of a man designated by the Secretary of State. The appointment of Mr. Wyvil was made by Secretary Bryan under a clause in the last Diplomatic and Consular Appropriation act. As the language employed was somewhat obscure an appeal was made to the Controller of the Treasury for an interpretation, and he held that the Secretary of State could engage counsel for the commission and fix his salary, which was to come out of a lump appropriation of $50,000.

There was a limitation in the appropriation act to the effect that the expenses of preparing cases before the commission should not exceed $5,000, and it was asserted that in fixing Mr. Wyvil's salary at that amount Secretary Bryan had exceeded his authority.

The Boundary Commission now has taken the position that it has no need for a counsel any more than the Supreme Court has, as it is a tribunal whose decisions are final, and heretofore cases have been taken care of by special counsel designated by the Attorney General.

Mr. Wyvil was asked to remove his office from the Boundary Commission's general offices here, and he now is quartered in the State Department. It is understood that the commission has instructed its disbursing officer not to draw checks for Mr. Wyvil's salary. Such checks, it is held, must be drawn by the State Department on its responsibility.

The whole matter has been taken up by the House Committee on Foreign Affairs and will be investigated thoroughly. It is planned to straighten out the tangle of authority and clarify the legislation on the matter in the pending Appropriation bill.

The members of the International Boundary Commission are James A. Tawney, Republican, former Representative from Minnesota; Obadiah Gardner, Democrat, former Senator from Maine, and R. B. Glenn, Democrat, former Governor of North Carolina. Messrs. Gardner and Glenn were appointed by President Wilson. The commission is empowered to adjust differences arising over water boundaries between the United States and Canada.

Maeterlinck Appeals to America

Begs us to save what is left of Belgium. Prof. ALBERT BUSHNELL HART of Harvard discusses the neutrality of Belgium, and Dr. Wm. Hirsch dissects the situation in Europe and finds England to blame. In

NEXT SUNDAY'S TIMES

Order in advance. The Times is always sold out early.

'HOUSE NEVER DARK' NOT NOW HER HOME

Rich Society Leader Sues Dr. Hopkins, Atlanta Capitalist, for Divorce Here.

SPOILED BY CITY, HE SAYS

Husband Willing to be Free—Son Eloped with Dr. Lawrence's Granddaughter.

Dr. John Randolph Hopkins, a capitalist of Atlanta, Ga., has been sued for divorce here by Mrs. McKie Bennet Hopkins. Both are well-known in the South because of family connections and Mrs. Hopkins has been a leader of Atlanta society. The Hopkins home there is a show place, conspicuous because Dr. Hopkins keeps it brilliantly lighted. It is said that it has never been dark.

Mrs. Hopkins is in New York but was not found last night. Her suit was started on Aug. 20, but became public only yesterday through an order of Justice Giegerich, permitting the filing of a complaint and answer as of date of Aug. 20. From Atlanta, however, came dispatches quoting Dr. Hopkins as saying he was willing his wife should have a divorce though he would fight any demand for large alimony.

Dr. Hopkins said he had lived happily with his wife until a year ago when she came to this city to visit her son, Russell F. Hopkins, who eloped with 17-year-old Vera Siegrist, granddaughter of Dr. J. J. Lawrence of 1,080 Fifth Avenue, on Oct. 6, 1906. According to Dr. Hopkins, the visit spoiled his wife and she has kept spies on him ever since.

Young Hopkins was only 21 when he ran away with Miss Siegrist. They were forgiven, and made their home with Dr. and Mrs. Lawrence. A girl baby was born in 1909, and Dr. Lawrence bequeathed to the child $1,000,000 in trust. In 1911 he gave young Mrs. Hopkins the Fifth Avenue house and its contents as a Christmas present.

After Dr. Lawrence died, Mrs. Lawrence sued Hopkins on May 21, 1912, for $125,000 on promissory notes which she said the young man had obtained from her husband. Later the suit was withdrawn.

Young Hopkins has attracted attention despite his youth. In Atlanta he kept wild beasts caged in the back yard till terrified neighbors called the police. Here he bought an eighty-acre estate at Irvington near the Summer home of Mrs. Helen Gould Shepard and filled the place with wild animals. He kept the most dangerous in cages, but he scared the countryside nevertheless. He startled his friends once by promising to drive a pair of wild zebras down Broadway, but he didn't do it.

Fondness for insurance is another of the young man's hobbies. He is said to carry every kind of insurance obtainable. Once he took out a policy against the Black Hand with the provision that if an attempt were made on his life $2,000 should be paid to the first witness against his assailants and $1,000 each to the next three witnesses.

GIFTS FOR STRIKERS, TOO.

Olive Branch in Colorado Fuel Company's Christmas Tree Plans.

Special to The New York Times.

DENVER, Dec. 23.—Jesse F. Welborn, President of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company, announced today that the company not only would afford a happy Christmas to the men in their employ and their families, but also to the strikers and their families, who number approximately 10,000 men, women, and children.

"It has been customary for years," Mr. Welborn said, "for the coal companies to give Christmas entertainments and to distribute candy and toys among the families of their employes in the camps. This custom will be maintained this year, and will be extended to the families of former employes, whose children will receive the same Christmas benefits they would get if the heads of the families were employed.

"We are putting our old employes at work as fast as possible, but it is rather a slow matter, because our payrolls are now full. If it were possible we would provide houses for the families of our former employes now in the tent colonies, but our houses are full. We are doing all we can, however, in a systematic way to relieve suffering."

FEAR WAR WILL SPREAD.

Insuring at Lloyds Against Italy and Norway Being Involved.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Lloyd's is charging 30 guineas per cent. to insure against war between Italy and Germany, Austria and Turkey within one month, and 50 guineas per cent. that war between those countries will not be declared within six months.

Five guineas per cent. is asked to insure against war breaking out between Great Britain and Norway within twelve months.

Wet Trenches Spread Rheumatism.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

ROTTERDAM, Dec. 23, (Dispatch to The London Daily News.)—A German specialist states that one-third of the military cases in the hospital are of rheumatism. The soldiers declare that duty in water-logged trenches is the cause.

Gilbey's Invalid Port—the pure Wine Tonic and Restorative. No drugs—no extracts—only pure light Portwine from Portugal. $1.25 per bottle at Park & Tilford, Acker, Merrall, and other leading stores.—Advt.

ENGLISH HOSTAGE DEFENDS THE TURKS

Daniel Oliver, a Captive at Damascus, Cables His Views to The New York Times.

IS BEING WELL TREATED

No Enmity Shown by the People, but Bombardment of Coast Towns Might Lead to Reprisals.

By Cable to the Editor of THE NEW YORK TIMES.

DAMASCUS, Syria, Dec. 23.—Sir: I am anxious that the public of the United States should know something of the feelings and views of the Ottoman Government, which at the present instant is engaged in defending itself against powerful enemies.

I have lived in Syria for twenty-five years, and have only received kindness, consideration, and courtesy from all Ottoman officials, as well as from the people. Therefore my love and respect for this people are deep and sincere.

They are in a state of war here with the powers of the Triple Entente, and in consequence of the war all the subjects of the belligerent powers have been taken to Damascus as hostages. On arrival here, however, we were all treated with great kindness. We were allowed to choose our hotels, as well as left free to go anywhere within the limits of the city. Not a single unfriendly word do we hear from any channel. I could only wish that the warring nations of Europe treated each other with the same consideration as we have been treated here.

The Commander in Chief, Jamal Pasha, is an able administrator, with much experience of public life, has traveled, and has the most charming and polished manners, and one at once feels in his presence that he is in the presence of a strong and capable man. The real Ottoman is always a perfect gentleman.

The Syrian coast is open and unfortified, and therefore any attack on the coast towns would cause such a storm of indignation in this country that it would immediately issue in reprisals on British subjects and endanger their lives. To attack unfortified towns is contrary to international law and to the laws of humanity, and we hope it will not be done.

The Ottoman Government cannot understand Great Britain's action in joining Russia, the hereditary enemy of Turkey and of England. They cannot understand Great Britain refusing to hand over their two dreadnoughts, and in this they feel they have been cheated by Great Britain at a critical moment. They cannot understand why Sir Edward Grey should on every occasion have shown such a hostile attitude to Turkey, who was a friend of Great Britain. Above all, they cannot understand why British warships should threaten unfortified towns all along the coast.

You may not hear much in America of the Ottoman side of the question and, therefore, I mention these particulars for your readers. I hope later to write at greater length. In the meantime, keep your minds open to hear the facts from the Turkish side.

DANIEL OLIVER,
Friends' Foreign Mission, Ras-el-Metn, Lebanon, Syria.

The only Daniel Oliver identifiable last night is a well-known botanist, a Fellow of the Royal Society, a Doctor of Laws, and Emeritus Professor of Botany at University College, London. The Royal Medal of the Royal Society was awarded to him in 1884 and the Linnean Medal in 1893. Since 1890 he has been Keeper of the Herbarium and Library of the Royal Gardens at Kew.

As Prof. Oliver is 84 years old, the gentleman who addressed the telegram to THE NEW YORK TIMES may be his son.

MARCHING ON SUEZ CANAL.

Turkish Army Leaves Damascus—A Senussi Chief on the Staff.

BERLIN, Dec. 23, (by Wireless Telegraphy to Sayville, L. I.)—The following was given out today by the official Press Bureau:

"According to a Constantinople dispatch to the Frankfurter Zeitung, the army under the command of the Minister of Marine, Djemal Pasha, has begun a march from Damascus toward the Suez Canal.

"A brother of the Sheik of the Senussi is a member of Djemal's staff."

G. G. HUBBARD OFF TO WAR.

Sails to Offer Services to England as an Aviator.

Gardiner Greene Hubbard, prominent in society and a member of the well-known family of that name of Cambridge, Mass., sailed for England several days ago to offer his services to the British Government as an aviator.

Mr. Hubbard is an experienced aviator, having received his license from the Aero Club of America several years ago. He has done much flying in Cambridge, and at one time owned several aeroplanes. He is a member of the Harvard Club, and his home in this city is at 17 West Eighth Street.

After leaving Harvard he spent four years studying architecture in Paris, and it was at this time that he first took up aviation. More recently he has been in the offices of one of the leading firms of architects of this city. Before sailing he announced that if he were unable to go to the front as an aviator he would join one of the ambulance corps and take his chances of being admitted to the aviation corps in the field.

GREEN STRIPE SCOTCH
IN NON-REFILLABLE BOTTLES.
ANDREW USHER & CO., Edinburgh.—Advt.

KING ALBERT SENDS THANKS TO AMERICA

Writes a New Year Greeting in Recognition of Aid to His People.

PROUD OF LITTLE ARMY

Insists It Saved Calais and Dunkirk—Says He Will Yet Re-enter Brussels in Triumph.

King Albert's Message of Gratitude to America

The magnificent generosity of the American people in forwarding immense quantities of gifts of foodstuffs to my suffering people affords me intense satisfaction and touches me very deeply.

In this, my country's hour of trial, nothing has supported me more than the sympathy and the superb generosity of those who have assisted in materially lessening the same; and I desire to offer my deepest thanks and at the same time to convey a message of good will for the New Year.

ALBERT,
King of the Belgians.

GRAND HEADQUARTERS OF THE KING OF THE BELGIANS IN WEST FLANDERS, Dec. 20, (via London, Dec. 23.)—In the council chamber of an ancient Flemish Town Hall, from which he is directing under German shell fire the resistance of his war-worn little army, blocking the road to Dunkirk and Calais, King Albert of the Belgians today told The Associated Press of the stand his soldiers were making against the German invaders.

The King praised the American people for the generous response to Belgium's call for aid, paying a high tribute to Minister Whitlock, and sending a message of gratitude to the United States and Secretary Gibson. He also expressed his firm conviction that he would yet enter Brussels at the head of his victorious army.

The Monarch was alone when the correspondent was admitted to the council chamber, not even an aide being present. The King's tall, angular, Lincoln-like form was clothed in the simple undress uniform of a General of Artillery, which was without insignia, beyond braided shoulder straps, to distinguish him from a staff officer.

Physically King Albert looks hardened; but lines of care show in his otherwise youthful face. In manner he is decidedly shy, and he apologized for his English, which, however, was very fluent. The light from a smoky oil lamp barely penetrated the recesses of the great beamed hall, from the walls of which empty picture frames stared down.

When the King saw the eyes of the correspondent fixed on these blank spaces where a few months ago invaluable Flemish canvases hung, he smiled and said he no longer expected the Germans to be in a position even to take the frames.

Praises His People's Bravery.

Modestly he praised the courage of his soldiers, speaking of them with great kindliness, as though he were talking about his own children.

"I believe," he said, "my army is courageous. My people, however, are too democratic for the same discipline that prevails in the conscript European armies. You will see something of the bravery of my people when tomorrow you shall have the chance to witness the peasants working in their fields under shell fire, concerned only for the losses of their homes, the destruction of which causes them great grief."

When Edgar Sengeer, Belgian Attaché to the American Commission for the Relief of Belgium, entered and presented to the King a report from the commission showing that enough food was in sight to feed his people until Feb. 12 the King turned quickly to the correspondent, saying:

"Will you be kind enough to convey to the American people my deep gratitude?"

He then wrote in English the message printed at the head of this dispatch.

King Albert was also anxious to have the American people know, as he put it, the facts of the story of how his troops, demoralized and disorganized by their disheartening retreat almost across the entire limits of their own country, turned at bay along the Yser and held back the Germans there at frightful cost in killed and wounded to their army, and of the almost incalculable loss suffered in the deliberate inundation by its owners of the most valuable agricultural part of the country.

"In one of those terrible nine days in the trenches along the Yser," the King said, "I know that 700 of our brave Belgian soldiers were killed outright."

Says the Belgians Saved Calais.

With the modesty and shyness which marks his whole manner of address, King Albert continued:

"I believe I am not claiming too much to say that our army saved Dunkirk and Calais at the battle of the Yser."

The King spoke with the warmest affection of his soldiers, praising their good spirits. When the correspondent expressed a desire to see the men actually in the trenches, he said:

"You may, but I cannot promise that this will be without risk. Mrs. Asquith expressed the same desire while she was visiting my wife a short time ago. When the party was taken to the second line of trenches a big German shell fell near by, and it did not make our guests feel comfortable."

When the correspondent inquired as to the King's own safety, King Albert smilingly replied:

"We must live under shell fire here."

Later inspection showed this remark to be literally true, as scarcely a square mile of Belgium left under the rule of her King is free from the danger of shell fire.

King Albert repeated his expressions

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"LAY DOWN YOUR ARMS," THE POPE'S MESSAGE

Church Is Using All Its Influence to End the War, Says Cardinal Gasparri.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

ROME, Dec. 23, (Dispatch to The London Daily Chronicle.)—Cardinal Gasparri, the Secretary of State at the Vatican, granted me an audience today and told me the Church was working with all the means at its disposal to bring about peace at the earliest possible moment.

I asked his Eminence if he could give me any message that I could send to the people of England at Christmas, to which the Cardinal replied that the only message the Holy Father could send was the old message of "Pax Hominibus—Arrange your affairs according to the dictates of justice rather than by force of arms."

"It is the earnest desire of his Holiness," continued the Cardinal, "that peace may reign once more on earth and that arms be laid down. That is what his Holiness will say publicly in the Basilica tomorrow."

As he parted from me the Cardinal said again, "Tell them this is the message of the Holy Father—'Lay down your arms.'"

ROME, Dec. 23.—Pope Benedict, in addition to continuing his efforts for peace, is trying to obtain the consent of the belligerent powers to an exchange of war prisoners.

The answers to his proposals thus far received and the difficulties of various kinds that are being encountered are said to incline the Pontiff to the belief that his initiative will meet with no better success than his request for a truce at Christmas.

AUSTRIAN RULER DYING, A ROME REPORT SAYS

Rumored There That Aged Emperor-King Has Received the Last Sacrament.

ROME, Dec. 23.—A rumor is in circulation here that Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria-Hungary is dying.

The report has it that the Emperor-King has received the last sacrament.

This is the third time since the present war began that the Emperor has been reported dying. He is in his eighty-fifth year.

EITEL AS HUNGARY'S KING.

Kaiser's Son a Candidate in View of Eventualities, Petrograd Hears.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 23, (Dispatch to The London Morning Post.)—The candidature of Prince Eitel Friederich for the throne of Hungary is certainly being energetically pushed by Germany.

It has been put about in Hungary that Eitel is merely the modern form of Attila. This, naturally, according to German reasoning, marks out the holder of the name as the hereditary claimant to the independent throne, which will be one of the results of this war for Hungary.

MOVEMENT TO FREE HUNGARY GROWS

137 Deputies and About 7,000 Organizations Working for Separation it Is Asserted.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 24.—The Morning Post publishes an interesting letter from Budapest, written to the London correspondent of a Hungarian paper, desribing conditions in Hungary. The letter, which is dated Dec. 16, refers to the official Austrian denial that there is an independence movement afoot in Hungary, and affirms that there are 137 members of Parliament representing that policy and about 7,000 clubs, societies, and circles in the country working to that end.

"If this is not an independence movement," says the writer, "then, of course, there is nothing more to be said."

The writer also states that in Bosnia and Herzegovina the fear of a Servian invasion is so strong that orders have been given to the troops and authorities there that before the enemy enters the villages all the male inhabitants are to leave while the women remain. The object of this measure is to prevent the Servians from organizing rebellion among the Bosnians. All males from 15 to 70 have to leave the occupied places.

Referring to rumors that Count Berchtold is shortly to go on a special mission to Rumania, the writer says:

"The fact is that it is not the attitude of Rumania which creates uneasiness in the monarchy, but that of Italy. Salandra's recent speech made a very painful impression everywhere here, and the people seem to look upon Italy as a hopeless case. On the other hand, it is universally believed that Italy's action would be a joint one with Rumania. As I see the situation, Germany's task would be to quiet Italy, and Austria's to come to some understanding with Rumania and keep her quiet in case the bellicose Italian elements should try to persuade her to joint intervention.

"Von Bülow's mission to Italy is not looked upon in Vienna as likely to be successful, for we are convinced that Italy is only waiting for a good opportunity or for a great Austrian defeat. Rumania, on the other hand, is still hesitating, and we have hopes of winning her over, so far as her neutrality is concerned.

"I understand that there is an agreement between Austria and Bulgaria as to eventual Rumanian intervention, but of course Bulgaria as an ally in case of Italy and Rumania joining in against us is very little to counterbalance the blow that they are aiming at.

"The hope in Vienna is that even in case Italy abandons her neutrality Rumania should maintain hers."

SOUGHT PEACE WITH SERVIA.

Austria Said to Have Made Two Attempts and Been Refused.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

ATHENS, Dec. 23.—(Dispatch to The London Daily Telegraph.)—I am in a position to confirm categorically the reported Austrian attempt to conclude a separate peace with Servia and can add that the attempt was renewed, once by direct proposals made to the Government.

In both cases the Servian reply was an emphatic refusal to entertain any such proposal.

XMAS. THE ALLTOGETHER POUCH holds pipe and tobacco. At the Schulte Stores.—Advt.

GERMANS FORCE RUSSIANS TO LIFT SIEGE OF CRACOW

Drive from New Direction Toward Warsaw Causes Hasty Reforming of Battle Line.

FURIOUS FIGHT FOR RIVERS

Thousands of Civilians Said to Have Perished in Bombardment of Sochaczew.

AUSTRIANS BADLY BEATEN

Third Advance in Southern Galicia and the Carpathians Turned Into Disastrous Retreat.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 23, (Dispatch to The London Morning Post.)—The official bulletin of Tuesday evening makes it sufficiently plain that we are in for a repetition, with differences, of the first invasion of Poland. The Germans brought up vast forces against Russia, including the stiffened remnants of the Austrian armies, and reorganized the whole in a manner highly creditable to the recuperative powers of our formidable enemy. The German Emperor has promised the war-worn troops rest and rewards at Warsaw, which he ordered taken for Christmas.

The Grand Duke Nicholas has again been compelled to abandon temporarily the main objective of his strategic scheme and draw his armies together so as to hold the inner line of the whole strategic front occupied by the respective opponents.

Cracow and everything around Cracow thus have been abandoned, as happened before. As we know absolutely nothing of the disposition of the troops occupying the new positions, it is impossible to form any opinion as to where the decisive battle will be joined.

The wholesale withdrawal of the Russian troops from all the positions held a few days ago, except those in front of Warsaw, indicates the strategy of the tactical movements to secure the best military positions for striking at the Germans.

The latter have not yet succeeded in forcing the passage of the Bzura River, about five miles upstream from Sochaczew. The attempt nearly succeeded—in fact, a certain number of German troops did get across, but were flung back into the river and lost enormously at various other spots. The Russians took several thousands of prisoners, and the Germans left thousands of dead on the field after the Russians' bayonet charges, but the general result is perceptible from this bulletin. All its definite expressions, such as geographical names, show plainly that the last few days have been occupied almost entirely in forced marches away from positions previously held.

On the other hand, accounts of fights are given without any indication of the numbers opposed to the Russians at this or that point, so that expressions like "masses of killed" convey no definite impression. It might be a regiment which lost heavily or an army corps, but pretty certainly was the former.

The withdrawal is believed here not to be a retirement after unsuccessful fighting but a deliberate movement intended to secure victory under new circumstances. The elasticity of movement which the Germans have shown by the aid of railways only, the Russians now are exhibiting for the second time without other means of locomotion than those of nature.

Series of Pitched Battles.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 23, (Dispatch to The London Daily News.)—Very great forces are now being pressed into the battles of mutual destruction on the separate positions from the left bank of the Vistula near Ilow southward along the Bzura and Rawka to the bend of the Pilica below Tomazow.

Sometimes the Russians and sometimes the Germans take the offensive in these pitched battles, which cannot be described as general. The German offensive, which is the fiercest in the north, results more favorably to the Russians as they approach the zone where the Austrians predominate in the enemy's ranks.

The most southerly of the battles in Poland is on the River Nida, which flows from the north into the Vistula, thirty miles eastward of Cracow. Here the Russians gained a victory over Gen. Dankl, whose task apparently was to link up with the Austro-German Army on the Pilica twenty miles east of Novo Radomsk and assist in the disposition of the German attempt to force a wedge between the Russian northern and southern armies.

Immense slaughter is taking place in these battles and will doubtless be unabated until ascendency has been definitely established. In the region of Sochaczew thousands of civilians have been killed. The Germans used eight-inch guns against the town and smashed the high tenement houses, whose inhabitants were crushed to death under the masonry. When the population tried to flee along the broad road to Warsaw the German guns poured shell among the dense masses of men, women and children. Hundreds were trampled to death.

At Lowicz the same thing occurred, hundreds being killed under the wrecked buildings.

A Russian officer who was decorated for the capture of six German guns at Lowicz states that eighty German prisoners were women who had been fighting in the trenches.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 24.—Contradictory reports of the situation in Poland are causing some bewilderment here. While some correspondents at Petrograd assert positively that the Russian forces have been withdrawn from the operations around and toward Cracow to meet the new drive at Warsaw from the southwest, one dispatch received as late as last evening says:

"Large bodies of Russian troops are moving toward Cracow, the Galician stronghold, from the north and east. An important battle apparently is developing in Southwestern Poland, near Cracow."

OPEN FUND TO AID JEWS.

Effort in London to Alleviate Distress in Poland

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The frightful distress into which Jews in Poland have fallen as a result of the war has aroused much sympathy in London, especially among Russian and Polish Jews. With the view of alleviating their distress to some extent a fund has been opened in London.

GERMAN CAVALRY'S PERIL.

Five Divisions Reported to be Between Two Russian Forces.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 23.—While the Germans in Poland are not relaxing their efforts along the line from Sochaczew to Skierniewice, in the movement toward Warsaw, the greatest activity yesterday was in the vicinity of Miechow and Andrejew, immediately northeast of Cracow. The Russians have moved back to positions along the left bank of the Nida River near its junction with the Vistula, thirty miles east of Cracow. The objective of the Austro-German forces in this vicinity appears to be Kielce. Their front extends about seventy miles from the right bank of the Nida. Their strength is estimated at eight to ten army corps (320,000 to 400,000 men.)

The Teutonic allies on Dec. 18 attacked the outskirts of Pinczow, twenty-five miles east of Miechow, and were successful in crossing the river. Subsequently, however, they were thrown back with heavy losses after a desperate fight.

The Russians are in force along the Pilica River, twenty miles southeast of Piotrkow. The gap between that position and the Nida River is occupied by five divisions of German cavalry. The two Russian armies are seeking to close in, moving in the direction of Opoczno. Near the latter point, in the vicinity of the town of Shedboro, an Austrian force was defeated several days ago, losing 1,000 men and 17 officers.

It is the opinion of Russian military critics that the action in this territory is intended by the Germans to draw away the Russians from the vicinity of Cracow by threatening their communications.

The official announcement of Russian successes in Galicia is interpreted here as meaning a definite defeat of the third Austrian advance. The Russians claim to have taken the offensive, attacking successfully the entire southern frontier forces of the Austrians under Gen. von Boehm-Ermolli. The attack extended along the River Dounajec as far as the upper valley of the San. The Austrians, who advanced over the Mazolaboretz Pass in the Carpathians toward Dukla, were attacked along a front from Lisko to Sanak. They attempted to unite forces with the garrison at Przemysl. A series of attempts in that direction is reported to have failed.

AUSTRIAN BRIGADE CUT UP.

Russians in Galicia Got in Its Rear with Machine Guns.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 23, via London, Thursday, Dec. 24.—Russian troops in the neighborhood of Tuchow, Galicia, south of Tarnow, today, on observing the advance of the Twenty-sixth Austrian Brigade, slipped past on parallel roads and surprised the Austrian rear, according to reports received here. The Russians opened fire with machine guns and virtually annihilated the whole brigade.

During the last two days' fighting in Southern Galicia, near the Carpathians, the Russians are reported to have captured more than 4,000 prisoners, including a Major of the General Staff and five other officers, besides three heavy guns and seven machine guns.

In this region the Russians, it is said, are moving small detachments through the mountain passes.

In the recent Austrian sorties from Przemysl the Russians captured a machine gun, which they turned against the Austrians.

The Novoe Vremya's correspondent in the Sochaczew neighborhood, Russian Poland, reports that along a twelve-mile front the Russians have packed four regiments of heavy artillery, 150 light field guns, and three corps of infantry. The Russians allege that Polish German sympathizers are using windmills in the vicinity to signal the Germans concerning Russian movements.

BERLIN WAITING FOR NEWS.

Vienna Admits Russians Have Resumed Offensive in Galicia.

BERLIN, Dec. 23, (by Wireless to Sayville, L. I.)—Among the items given out today for publication by the Official Press Bureau were the following:

"So far as can be determined from available reports the situation has not altered materially on either front in the last twenty-four hours.

"Unquestionably heavy fighting is proceeding along the Bzura River, where one may fairly assume that the Russian position is extremely strong. The Russian right apparently rests on the Vistula River, affording it protection from flank attacks; in the rear are Novo Georgievsk and the Warsaw fortresses. The fact that the Germans succeeded in crossing the Brura and Rawka Rivers at certain places should render their task easier.

"Vienna's report shows that comparative quiet prevails in middle and Southern Poland, but that the Russians have assumed the aggressive in Galicia, although at the cost of heavy losses. Along the lower Donajec River the Russians are still battling in the region northward and eastward of Unghvar in the Carpathians. No news has come for several days from the operations around Czernowitz, nor from Servia."

AUSTRIA'S LOAN A SUCCESS.

Contributions for Relief Purposes Also Flow in Freely.

Austria's war loan has been oversubscribed, according to a private cable received yesterday by a leading banking house of this city. In Austria 1,800,000,000 kronen were subscribed; in Hungary, 1,100,000,000 kronen.

Voluntary contributions for relief purposes, the cable said, had been 70,000,000 kronen. One single newspaper, the Neue Freie Presse of Vienna, raised 2,000,000 kronen. More than 900,000 women contributed a total of 7,000 pounds of gold jewelry. It was added that deposits in the good banks of Austria-Hungary were at the high-water mark.

According to the cablegram the bank rate in Austria was reduced yesterday to 5½ per cent.

BOMBARD TURKISH VILLAGES.

Russian Destroyers Also Sink Four Vessels in the Black Sea.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 23, (Dispatch to The London Morning Post.)—Russian destroyers in the Black Sea have bombarded coast villages in the neighborhood of Khopa, twenty miles south of Batum.

Turkish troops were in occupation of these villages, and the destroyers were sent to turn them out.

Four fully laden feluccas were sunk in the course of the same operations.

LOOK TO AMERICA FOR WAR FINANCES

London Statist Urges Us to Take Advantage of Great Opportunity Offered.

TO END STRUGGLE QUICKER

Free Sale of Arms and Loans to Belligerents Advocated—New York as a World Money Centre.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 24.—The Statist, in an article on United States neutrality, approves the attitude of the State Department regarding the export of arms and ammunition. It says:

"It needs no argument to prove that the war can best be brought to an early close if all parties to it are enabled, so far as their own abilities extend, to wage it as efficiently as possible. For that purpose it is only just that the United States should be willing to sell to all parties munitions of war, leaving it to the parties themselves to guard against risks attending the carriage of such munitions across the Atlantic.

"The United States will have an opportunity to make New York one of the greatest investing capitals of the world and to give an importance to the American money market it has not hitherto enjoyed. Heretofore London and Paris have been the great central markets to which the rest of the world looked for financial accommodation when needed. Berlin of late years has played a considerable part in the same way, but Germany has been in reality a borrowing rather than a lending country, and she has never reached the height of either London or Paris. After this war she will be fortunate, indeed, if she recovers the position she occupied before its outbreak within a generation.

"It will be to the immense advantage of humanity if the United States seizes the present opportunity to constitute herself one of the centres of finance—one of the great money markets of the world. By so doing she will enrich herself, but what is much more important from a world point of view is that she will be able to render the assistance to belligerent countries which in the end will be fruitful in blessings not to those countries only nor even to Europe, but to America as well.

"The United Kingdom, we trust, will be able to provide herself with all the money she needs, vast as that sum will be. France, likewise, we trust, will be able to pay all her own war costs, but the other belligerents will be in need of help, such as Russia, Belgium, Japan, and Servia. If we are driven to it, no doubt London will find means of accommodating all these and others likewise. Still, it would be of immense advantage if the American people were to come forward to afford means to those less wealthy belligerents of bringing the war as quickly as possible to an end, and likewise of providing them with capital afterward to recover from their losses and to begin to develop their resources more quickly and more scientifically in the future."

SEES REACTION IN GERMANY.

English Pastor from There Says Masses Are Weakening.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 24.—The Daily Chronicle publishes an interview with the Chaplain of an English church in a German city, who has resided in Germany for twenty-three years. He does not wish his name to be mentioned. He has just arrived in this country.

"The war was not popular with the Socialist and working classes of Germany," he says. "One case came under my personal knowledge. A man refused to join the colors, and a Sergeant and two privates were sent to his house, and he was brought outside and shot against a wall. When things like this were done, is it any wonder that the working men, every one of them a Social Democrat, joined the colors? They are fighting because they are forced to fight, but if things continue to go badly for Germany there will be a troublous time ahead.

"I believe the people are beginning to find out the truth, in spite of the lies told to them. They are not nearly so cocksure as they were at the beginning of the war, and the enormous casualty lists are simply staggering them."

Asked if he thought the war would be a long one, he replied:

"No, I do not. Prussia is almost as much hated as we are by the other German States, and when it becomes known that Prussian militarism has failed there will be a great reaction."

GERMAN PEACE PALACE JOKE.

Officer Asked Why We Didn't Make It a Storehouse.

Capt. Grant Squires, U. S. A., retired, who went to Holland two months ago at the request of Dr. Henry van Dyke, Minister to the Netherlands, to assist in the war relief work, returned yesterday on the Cunard liner Lusitania. He said that after spending a month at The Hague he made a tour through the cities and villages of Belgium at the request of the American Relief Committee to ascertain the facilities for the distribution of supplies.

"When I was in Brussels ten days ago," Capt. Squires said, "a German Staff officer stopped me and asked why the American Relief Committee did not lease the Peace Palace at The Hague to store its supplies in. 'Should we apply to the Kaiser for terms,' I asked. 'Let me see,' replied the officer, pausing for a second as if in deep thought. 'That is in Holland. Well, you need not apply yet.

"In my tour I visited 100 small villages in Belgium, where scenes were pitiful. I saw 2,000 old and young waiting in the bread line for the daily dole of an eight-ounce loaf of black bread.

"The Belgian mothers will not pray on Christmas Eve for Santa Claus to put toys and candies in the stockings of their little ones. They will be content if they can get an extra loaf of bread on Christmas Day. In one village a 7-year-old girl carrying a two-months-old infant in her arms asked me for two sous to buy bread."

Capt. Squires said the people of Liege would have no gas supply after Christmas, as the Germans asserted that they needed the coal for military purposes. As for the war, Capt. Squires predicted that it would last for a year longer.

"The English Government," Capt. Squires went on, "has taken preliminary steps in regard to peace negotiations by ordering a map from the Royal Geographical Society, 40 feet long and 25 feet wide, to show all the divisions in Europe."

Money exhaustion, the Captain predicted, would end the war rather than loss of men. If the copper and food supply could be completely cut off from one of the combatants, he added, the war would end in four months.

Official Reports of War Operations.

RUSSIA.

PETROGRAD.—On Dec. 22 we were generally successful in our operations on all the fronts. Our best successes were achieved on the Nida and Donajec Rivers, and also in the Carpathians.

In the direction of Mlawa some German advance columns again attempted to cross our frontier.

Between the Lower Vistula and the Pilica Rivers, during the night and all through the day of Dec. 22, the Germans concentrated their efforts in an endeavor to force their way across the Bzura and Rawka Rivers, in the districts of Mistrgewice and Bolimoro, and reached Skierniewice. We succeeded, however, in repulsing the enemy everywhere beyond these rivers on his former positions and inflicted upon him enormous losses.

In the district of Skierniewice alone we counted more than 1,000 German dead.

The success of these operations was chiefly due to our automobile batteries.

On the 22d the Turks again showed evidence of great activity in the direction of Olti, fifty-five miles west of Kars. They made a series of attacks in the direction of Sary-Kamysh, but these failed.

The Turkish offensive in the direction of Van was turned into a defensive movement, which, however, our troops succeeded in breaking after stubborn resistance. We captured from the enemy a number of prisoners, with their arms.

AUSTRIA.

VIENNA.—Our operations in the Carpathians are progressing favorably. In the districts of the Latorcza River (Hungary) near Volovez, the Russian attacks have been repulsed. In the Upper Valley of the Ungh River our troops have advanced, taking, near Fenyveshoelgy, 300 prisoners.

Northeast of Lupkow Pass in the direction of Lisko, (Galicia,) our attacks are progressing.

The official Russian communication that says that we lost 3,000 prisoners is untrue. Altogether we lost in this fighting two officers and 305 men, dead, wounded, and missing, but no cannon or machine guns.

Severe battles continue near Krosno, Jaslo, and Tuchow, (Western Galicia,) and on the Lower Donajec River. Last night the Russians renewed their attacks on the Donajec, but were repulsed with heavy losses.

The battle on the Nida River is stationary. A Russian bridge across the Vistula River near the mouth of the Nida has been burned. South of Tomaszow a night attack by Caucasian regiments was repulsed.

The fights of our allies in the district of the Rawka and Bzura Rivers continue. On the entire front a fresh battle is progressing.

GERMANY.

BERLIN.—The situation in East and West Prussia is unchanged.

Battles for possession of the branches of the Bzura River continue. The situation on the right bank of the River Pilica remains unchanged.

Attacks in the region of Lombaertzyde and to the south of Bixschoote have been easily repulsed by us. At Richebourg l'Avoué the English again were driven from their positions yesterday.

Notwithstanding desperate counter-attacks, we have retained all the positions which we captured from the English on the Richebourg Canal from Aire to La Bassée. Since Dec. 20 750 British and colored soldiers, five machine guns, and four mine-throwers have been captured by us.

In the neighborhood of Camp Chalons the enemy is showing greater activity.

Attacks to the north of Sillerie, southeast of Rheims, at Souain, and at Perthes have been partly repelled with heavy losses to the French.

FRANCE.

PARIS.—(*Night Report*)—The progress made through our attacks between the Meuse and the forest of the Argonne has been almost entirely maintained. According to the latest news, our front in this region has reached the barbed wire entanglements of the enemy at the salient angle southwest of the Wood of Forgeu, (east of Cuisy,) and lined the road leading to the forest of Boureuilles.

There is no other notable incident to report.

(*Day Report*)—Yesterday in Belgium we made slight progress between the sea and the highway from Nieuport to Westende, as well as in the region between Steenstrate and Bixschoote, where we occupied a forest, some houses, and a redoubt.

To the east of Bethune, working in conjunction with the British army, we recaptured the village of Givenchy-lez-La Bassée, which had been lost to us.

In the region of Arras a heavy fog made it necessary for both the enemy and ourselves to lessen activities.

To the east of Amiens, on the Aisne, and in Champagne there have been artillery engagements.

In the region of Perthes-les-Hurlus we carried, after a spirited cannonade and two assaults, the last section of the line which we occupied in part Dec. 21. We made an average gain of 800 yards. In the last trench which came into our possession we captured a section of machine guns, including the gun crews. A violent counter-attack was repulsed.

We also made progress to the northeast of Deausejour, where further counter-attacks on the part of the enemy were without success.

There has been a perceptible advance on the part of our troops in the Forest of La Grurie against a front of trenches 400 yards wide and running not less than 250 yards deep. We blew up with mines two of these German lines of works and occupied the excavations.

The fighting is going on in the vicinity of Boureuilles, with the outcome fairly serious. It would appear not to have been possible to retain entirely the positions acquired yesterday morning.

There has been no incident from the heights of the Meuse to Upper Alsace.

In East Prussia the Germans have been driven back on the line from Neidenburg to Soldau, to Lautenburg. In Poland the Germans were successful in getting a footing on the lower Bzura to the north of Sochaczew. Further to the south they reached the Rawka River at Bolimow, and have passed Skierniewice, moving to the east.

Austro-German forces are moving into Poland along a front which runs from a point to the southeast of Piotrkow to the west of the River Nida, in Galicia. They have reached the River Donajek, and occupy a line from Grybow to Smigrod to Sanok.

The effort at a sortie made by the Przemysl garrison resulted in complete failure.

KING ALBERT SENDS THANKS TO AMERICA

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of appreciation of American relief for his people as the correspondent was about to leave, especially singling out Brand Whitlock, the American Minister to Belgium, and Hugh S. Gibson, Secretary of the Legation, for their efforts in Belgium's behalf. He declared that Mr. Whitlock had done splendid work in Brussels as the mediator between the Belgian people and their conquerors, and expressed the hope that Mr. Whitlock would remain at his post until the end of the war.

"And I understand that Mr. Whitlock came to Brussels for a rest," remarked the King with a dry smile.

King Albert expressed particularly warm admiration for Mr. Gibson, who, he said, had delivered some diplomatic messages to him under a severe fire.

He was averse to discussing the ruin of his country, saying simply:

"You will know something of it yourself tomorrow when you see our destroyed towns."

"Your Majesty, it has been predicted that you will re-enter your capital within three months?" the correspondent said.

The King shook his head sadly, saying:

"Not so soon, but some day I shall ride into Brussels at the head of the Belgian Army."

Bidding the correspondent good night with a warm handshake, the King ended the interview.

King Albert is the commander of his army in fact as well as in name. Its reorganization into a compact fighting force of less than half of its former size, but infinitely superior in sheer efficiency, is due principally to the King's work and inspiration. He has surrounded himself with young and enthusiastic officers who already are veterans in experience, and this new personnel works with the utmost harmony.

Queen at the Head of a Hospital.

The King's chief support is Queen Elizabeth, who lives only a few miles away at a place also on Belgian soil, where she has complete charge of one of the largest military hospitals. No other women except trained nurses are permitted to approach the Belgian line. Even the wives of the highest officers are not allowed to pay brief visits to their husbands.

King Albert is living as simply as any subaltern of his staff. In the entrance to the Town Hall is a rickety army cot, on which he seeks short naps when occasionally the Germans relax their efforts to smash the thin Belgian line. When a few leisure hours permit the King and the Queen meet, but they are living virtually under campaign conditions. The Queen is the patron saint of the Belgian wounded, who prefer her hospital to any of the hospitals located on safer bases.

The Queen occasionally goes to England to see her children, but lately she has devoted virtually her every waking moment to her hospital.

Neither the King nor the Queen has the usual personal suite. King Albert's Aids are working staff officers, who serve twenty-four-hour watches, while the Queen's Ladies in Waiting are trained nurses, serving on her hospital staff.

ARCHDUKE EUGENE LEADS AGAINST SERVIA

Devout General, Once Talked of for Cardinal, Takes Place of Potiorek, Disgraced.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 24.—Reuter, Vienna correspondent says an official communication, issued in Vienna, explains the reasons for the defeat of the Austrians by the Servians, and announces that Field Marshal Oskar Potiorek, the Austrian Commander in Chief, has been superseded by Archduke Eugene.

Archduke Eugene, who is a cousin of the Austrian Emperor, sought several years ago, when he was Colonel of the Thirteenth Hussars, to be allowed to retire, with the object of entering upon an ecclesiastical career and becoming Archbishop of Olmutz.

Emperor Francis Joseph declined to give this permission and in 1911, by way of compromise, nominated him to the grand mastership of the historic Order of German Knights. This position carries with it vast estates and an income of $1,000,000 a year.

Afterwards he was suggested as a possible Cardinal. He is known for his devotion to the Church.

The Archduke is said to be the most stately royal Prince in Europe. He is more than six feet tall, handsome and athletic. He is 51 years old.

MAY CONVOY THEIR SHIPS.

Scandinavian Kings Believed to Have Discussed This Plan.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

CHRISTIANIA, Dec. 23, (Dispatch to The London Morning Post.)—A telegram from Malmo, published in several Scandinavian newspapers, expresses the opinion that one subject of discussion at the meeting of the three Kings was the question whether if merchant ships belonging to the three northern States should be convoyed by war vessels, the effect would be that belligerents would no longer be admitted to institute a search, the convoy being a guarantee that the cargoes were destined for neutral ports.

This arrangement was practiced during the American war of independence, when the mercantile marine of the Scandinavian powers had a convoy of ships of war.

VOTE $1,700,000,000 FRENCH WAR BUDGET

Deputies and Senators Quickly Provide Funds for Next Six Months.

PASSED WITHOUT DEBATE

This Makes a Total of Probably $12,000,000,000 Voted by Principal Combatants.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—The Chamber of Deputies voted unanimously this afternoon an appropriation of 8,500,000,000 francs ($1,700,000,000) to cover the expenses of the next six months, including the cost of the war. Tonight the Senate passed the appropriation, likewise by a unanimous vote.

Today's sitting of Parliament was less emotional and more businesslike than the opening session yesterday. In the Chamber of Deputies almost all the members were present, and they cast their votes with little discussion and without a murmur of dissent. Although the voting urns were passed around, their use was unnecessary, since all parties were of a single mind concerning the necessity of providing the Government with the means of carrying on the war.

Votes were cast by 561 Deputies of the total membership of 597. The session lasted a bare half hour.

It was announced that Gen. Joffre had granted a further leave to the Deputies serving with the army, who will not be required to rejoin the ranks until three days after the termination of the usual January session.

Below will be found in tabular form the amounts of credits voted to date by the parliaments of France, Germany, and the United Kingdom. The credit voted by the French Parliament yesterday is the largest sum ever voted by any legislative body in the history of the world.

The parliamentary war credits voted by Russia and Austria-Hungary are not known with any exactness, although the Vienna Parliament voted $120,000,000 on Aug. 8, and the Government there and in Budapest have since, but without success, been trying to float various loans, based possibly on credits voted.

The huge total voted by the three nations designated reaches $7,190,000,000. A conservative estimate would debit Russia and Austria-Hungary with $5,000,000,000, making a total of $12,190,000,000. This, of course, does not include the independent sums voted by Prussia, Bavaria, Saxony, and other German States, the funds borrowed by the State from banks or raised by special means; but it may include the bond issues, the war taxes, and part of the paper money issues. The funds voted by the Balkan States, by the British colonies, or as precautionary measures by Italy, Holland, &c., are not reckoned.

In any event, political economists in Europe agree that the credits voted by parliaments represent no more than 20 per cent. of the treasure actually voted, pledged, subscribed, or donated for the purpose of carrying on the present war. Such a calculation presents a grand total of $60,950,000,000, which, according to the same authorities, is being exhausted at the rate of $37,000,000 a day.

The parliamentary credits referred to are in detail as follows:

FRANCE.	
Aug. 4	$1,340,000,000
Dec. 23	1,700,000,000
Total	$3,040,000,000
GERMANY.	
Aug. 4	$1,250,000,000
Oct. 2	1,250,000,000
Total	$2,500,000,000
UNITED KINGDOM.	
Aug. 4	$525,000,000
Nov. 16	1,125,000,000
Total	$1,650,000,000

It may be assumed that a major part of these vast sums, whether accounted for, at present to a small amount, by taxation or levies, must ultimately become part of the public debts—at any rate, they just now augment national indebtedness to the following extent:

FRANCE.	
National debt	$6,283,675,000
Credits voted	3,040,000,000
Total	$9,323,675,000
GERMANY.	
National debt	$1,177,418,000
Credits voted	2,500,000,000
Total	$3,677,418,000
UNITED KINGDOM.	
National debt	$3,485,818,000
Credits voted	1,650,000,000
Total	$5,135,818,000

It will be seen that the total German Imperial credits voted are more than double the Empire's national debt as it stood before the war.

WAR-TIME GIFTS IN PARIS.

Bullet-Proof Chest Protectors Are Among Those Advertised.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—Christmas advertisements in the Paris press afford a violent contrast with those of previous years. Almost all are connected with the war. Thus, the largest dry goods store, vaunts a patent bulletproof chest protector, which is practically a steel breastplate lined with wool or fur, while lower down in the column an optician proclaims the value to every one in the trenches of his "double-sight" periscopic arrangement of mirrors attached to the end of a rifle, to enable a soldier crouching in a trench to see the enemy approaching without exposing his head. This only costs $2, which is $1 less than the chest protector.

Next comes an alarming statement about the prevalence of cholera in the Austrian Army, forming a peg whereon hangs the necessity of digestive pilules. Even vaseline appeals to possible purchasers as the surest preventative of blisters, while purveyors of sleeping sacks, with all linings from fur to paper and prices according, electric lamps, scarfs, waterproofs, flasks, and pocket heaters invite soldiers' relatives to add new burdens to the seventy-five pounds weight of the full fighting kit of the French infantry.

Most numerous are the advertisements of fortune tellers, who offer to reveal everything, from the seeker's own destiny in the combat to the exact date of German's destruction. Paris swarms with these charlatans, but their clients probably are comforted by their invariably glowing predictions.

Finally, at the foot of the column, come ominous offers to buy—not sell—jewelry, furs, silver, and bibelots, their frequency being the surest indication of the city's hidden misery.

BEGGING CIRCULAR IN LONDON

Ascribed to Americans—Relief Committee Asks Police to Investigate.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Scotland Yard was requested tonight by members of the American Relief Committee here to investigate the source of a circular which has been widely circulated among Americans in London recently asking for sums of money up to but not exceeding $5 to relieve distress alleged to exist among unemployed American writers of both sexes said to be stranded here.

Several of these circulars have been turned over to members of the American Embassy and today the American committee got hold of them. Attempts were made by members of the American committee to see persons thought to be responsible. When these efforts failed the police were asked to investigate.

150 FRENCH SOLDIERS HIDE AMONG GERMANS

Have Maintained Themselves Four Months in Forests Surrounded by Foe.

PARIS, Dec. 12, (Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—So far as known, a party of 150 French soldiers who failed to hear the order to retreat during the fighting in the forests of Belgian Luxemburg as far back as Aug. 23 are still roaming about from one hiding place to another in the woods, resisting the enemy. This surpasses the record of the Twelfth company of the 140th French infantry, which recently passed fifty-eight days within the enemy's lines.

The party has now been cut off from the French lines for nearly four months. It is a motley force made up of stragglers who, instead of surrendering when they found the return to their lines blocked by the Germans, escaped to the woods and lived off the country as best they could, picking up ammunition from the battlefields at night. Aided in this by women and children, it is said they got together 17,000 cartridges, which they deposited in various caverns for safety. For shelter they built huts and dug trenches, from which they frequently emerged to harass the Germans.

The latter finally decided to beat the entire forest country of about 2,500 acres. Columns of 1,000 men took part in the hunt, but were unable to discover the hiding place of the stragglers. Despairing of succeeding by any other means, they resorted to persuasion and posted the following notice in the villages in the south of Namur and Luxemburg:

"French soldiers: We know where you are and the strength of your force. In your interest it will be better that you surrender, and we promise in that case that you shall be accorded the honors of war. You must know, however, that you expose the population of the country to reprisals. We have forbidden all farmers, all millers, and all peasants to furnish you with provisions and in case of infraction they will be shot."

The following morning another notice was posted in Beaurain, signed by the officer commanding the French detachment:

"Since you know so well where we are, come and take us."

The Germans have not yet reported taking them, however, and they are supposed to be still rambling from forest to forest between Givet and Bastogne.

MAUBEUGE WON MERCY THROUGH FRENCH NURSE

Her Kindness to the Kaiser's Dying Nephew Recognized by the Germans.

BOULOGNE, (via London,) Dec. 15, (Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—Because a young French Red Cross nurse took a particular interest in an eighteen-year-old German Lieutenant who was brought unconscious into the hospital at Maubeuge and died three days later, the manufacturing city of Maubeuge has been highly favored by its German conquerors, and is enjoying a greater degree of freedom than any of the other French border towns in German territory.

The wounded German proved to be a Prince of Saxe-Meiningen, nephew of the Emperor. He had suffered a fractured skull in an encounter with a French chasseur, and died without regaining consciousness.

At the suggestion of the nurse, the local authorities rendered the Prince the funeral honors due to his rank, photographed the body and coffin, and sent the photographs, together with the personal belongings of the Prince and a detailed account of his illness, to his family at Meiningen. This occurred while the town was still under French control.

The young men's father, the Duke of Saxe-Meiningen, acknowledged the courtesies in a letter expressing the deepest appreciation, and later, when the Germans entered Maubeuge, he proved his gratitude by directing the troops, occupying the fortress-town, to treat the inhabitants with the utmost consideration. The nurse received a safe conduct through the German lines and has just arrived at Boulogne.

The chasseur who was responsible for the death of the Prince was known as the smallest soldier in the Maubeuge garrison, but in the battle against the Prince's crack cavalry regiment he acquitted himself with distinction. Besides placing the Prince hors de combat, he wounded and captured the Prince's orderly, two troopers, and a non-commissioned officer, thereby earning special mention in the official report of the engagement. A few days later he was himself taken prisoner by the German reinforcements which occupied Maubeuge.

GERMAN PRISONERS GRATEFUL

Wounded Man Writes in Praise of the French Hospitals.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 23, (via London.)—A German soldier, probably an officer, who was discovered stunned and bleeding in a West Flanders town after the furious German attack had spent itself in disaster, was picked up by a Belgian Red Cross party, and found himself a few days later enjoying a degree of comfort and luxury in a French convent that reminded him, he said, of his own home.

He has expressed his gratitude to the Belgian and French doctors and nurses in a letter written from the hospital of St. Joseph's at Caen, and appearing in the Cologne Gazette and several other papers. He writes:

"I lay for some days in a hospital at Calais. Thence I was taken by steamer to Cherbourg and from there by railway to Caen. On the train the people handed us wine and bread and cakes, milk and marmalade, and other free gifts of food. I and my comrades did not feel at all as if we were prisoners of war in France, but as if we were traveling through Germany. The treatment we received at the hospitals was good and the meals excellent. In the morning we got coffee and bread; for dinner soup, meat, potatoes, and other kinds of vegetables, bread and wine. In the evening we got soup, vegetables, bread and wine.

"We are very well pleased with the splendid treatment we receive. The nursing sisters make any sacrifice for us; each and all have done something. We have a feeling of cosiness that reminds us of home. I wish all the wounded could be treated as well as we."

VIEWS NIEUPORT UNDER SHELL FIRE

Correspondent Finds but One Building Standing and Only 20 of the 4,000 Inhabitants There

MISSILES FALL CLOSE BY

Fifteen Drop Near Him Within Five Minutes While the Allied Soldiers Laugh and Joke.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

FURNES, Monday, Dec. 21, (Dispatch to The London Daily News.)—For several days I have been in possession of an authorization from the French commandant permitting me to penetrate to Nieuport. This town has been under bombardment by the Germans since Oct. 20. There were days, however, when no shells fell in the town and a walk in the streets presented no danger, though this was no means the case last week when, after a period of calm, an event of considerable importance occurred. The Allies took up the offensive in an effort to drive the Germans from the coast and recapture Ostend and Zeebrugge.

Along the whole front from the Yser to the sea there were important movements of troops. These I am not at liberty to describe, but they have for the most part only a small significance in relation to the events described in this letter. For eight days the struggle has been very severe on the Yser, and night and day hundreds of guns have been sending shells across the space dividing the two armies. Since the end of October the Germans had been established at St. Georges and Lombartzyde, close to Nieuport, and their trenches between Nieuport and Nieuport-les-Bains were separated from those of the French and Belgians only by a canal twenty yards wide running from Furnes through Nieuport to the sea.

I left Furnes on a French motor truck carrying bread and meat to the troops at Nieuport. For about three miles the truck followed the canal, passing the village of Wulpen, and then came to a stop. We had arrived near the bridge over which we must pass to reach Nieuport. As we slowly approached the bridge I asked the chauffeur: "What is delaying us?" "It is a little too warm for the moment," he replied.

When a soldier admits that things are warm it is certain that there is serious fighting afoot. To the right and left over the fields we could see the inundations. On the roads our soldiers were moving and the guns of the Allies were filling the air with thunder. In the intervals one could hear the spitting of quickfirers and the lesser chorus of rifle fire. Just ahead on a little bridge were a few soldiers of the engineer corps busily at work under the direction of a Lieutenant.

Forty Yards from a Falling Shell.

Suddenly I saw them fall flat on the ground. At the same moment a shell whistled over their heads and buried itself in the canal bank only forty yards from us.

"Shelter your machine behind the house," shouted the Lieutenant, and the chauffeur did not want a second telling. He backed the truck a few yards to place it against a house opposite the bridge at the corner of the road from Ramscapelle.

I left the truck and stood with some soldiers close against the wall. In five minutes fifteen shells fell within a radius of 100 yards of the bridge, but not one struck the bridge itself. We could hear them come shrieking toward us, and the only comment of the soldiers each time was "Here comes another."

We passed over the bridge and advanced along the canal bank in the direction of the Germans. As we approached the trenches near the Dixmude railway bridge we were able to survey the plain of St. Georges, which is now completely under water. For a moment the firing between the trenches had ceased, and we were able to take a leisurely view of the scene from the height of the bridge over an area half a mile square. The water is three feet deep, and in the centre of the lake stands a farmhouse surrounded by trees. French and Belgian soldiers had crossed the water, advancing under the protection of artillery fire, and had captured the houses standing on the far side.

Returning to our motor we quickly reached Nieuport. The aspect of the place was strange. The houses, as in all ancient fortified towns, press closely one against another. The streets, however, are wide and regular. They were as empty as the streets of a dead city. In the roofs of the houses were large holes. Windows and doors had been destroyed, and blinds and curtains were floating out on the wind.

Lived in Cellars for Two Months.

To my great surprise I learned that four or five houses were still occupied. About twenty inhabitants, I was told, were still living in their cellars after the two-months' bombardment. The soldiers did what they could to feed these people, who said that rather than leave their homes they would perish in the ruins. The rest of the inhabitants, about 4,000, had fled, taking with them only what they could carry in their hands. In every house one could see broken furniture covered with dust. In many of them gaping holes had been torn by shells, while some of the front walls had been carried clean away. Bedsteads and wardrobes were seen standing awry on the upper floors, ready to fall into the street. Of other houses, reduced, one may say, to powder, only heaps of rubbish remain, in which one can distinguish among pieces of tiles and bricks and plaster chests of drawers, pianos, sideboards, sewing machines, and so forth, broken and mixed with what is left of household linen and crockery. Family portraits, as in mockery, remain hanging in places and contemplate the scene of ruin. The contents of the shops have been scattered over the floors, and whatever has not been destroyed by shells, shrapnel, and bombs has been left to rot under the rain which comes through the roofs and ceilings. All sorts of merchandise was lying about in confusion on the pavements.

The church, one of the oldest Gothic monuments in the country, has been completely demolished. The belfry tower is torn open, and one broken bell is lying on the ground at the edge of a pit some thirty feet in width, made by the explosion of an enormous German shell. A large wooden crucifix by the side of the church has been torn from the ground and lies in a ditch.

There is a layer three feet deep of pieces of wood covering the floor of the church. This was once the roof and furniture of the old Gothic temple.

The cemetery, furrowed by shells, contains fresh graves covered with flowers. These are graves of officers and soldiers. On one of them are a soldier's coat and cap; on another a small Belgian flag. The second grave was dug only this morning, the young soldier, I was told by a Sergeant, having arrived at 8 o'clock and having been killed by a German shell at 10.

Only one structure in Nieuport remained intact, the Templars' Tower, a very solid piece of masonry, five centuries old.

Groups of officers and men were moving about among the ruins of the town. They were all young men, whose laughter and jokes contrasted grimly with the terrible howl of the guns and the crash of the projectiles which were still falling in the town. The French batteries added to the noise. Nothing can describe the terrible power of the heavy French artillery. The voice of the guns pierced my ear drums. Though they were posted at a considerable distance, one might almost think them close at hand. As a shell passes over your head it reminds you of a hurricane blowing through the bare branches of a forest.

Accompanied by my chauffeur, I ran through streets which he pointed out as being more dangerous than others. They were being shelled from the flank by the Germans, and sometimes, I was told, accidents would occur; that is, somebody would be killed by a shell flying along the street from one end to the other. One feels one's self much more at ease in the streets which intersect these thoroughfares at right angles.

In one spot I met a Red Cross motor ambulance laden with wounded, and going in the midst of the gravest danger, in the direction of Furnes. At another point we saw a French Captain, who, in a stern voice, ordered his soldiers to keep away from the middle of the street. These men were not on duty for the moment and were chatting as merrily as if they were in no danger.

We wish you a
Merry Christmas
this year—*and next.*
George Batten Company
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ALLIES GAIN SLIGHTLY, AIRMEN ARE BUSY

Advance on the German Coast—German Guns on the Meuse Silenced.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Although the Allies have scored some successes in the battles in the west, they are meeting stubborn resistance, and military men warn the public that very heavy casualties must be expected before any serious impression can be made on the German intrenchments.

Activity seems to have been resumed along the Belgian coast, for it is announced that slight progress has been made by the Allies between the sea and the road from Nieuport to Westende. At other points fighting is proceeding with here success and there reverses, or failure of the attack.

The airmen of both sides have been extremely busy, and aeroplanes have been swarming over Belgium, the aviators reconnoitering movements of the opposing troops and occasionally dropping bombs. Bruges and Brussels have been visited by aviators from the ranks of the Allies, while Bethune and other towns in Northern France have received attention from the Germans.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Details of progress by the Allies, including a gain of nearly half a mile northeast of Beausejour and the silencing of two German batteries on the Meuse, were reported to the French Embassy here today by the Foreign Office. The dispatch said in part:

"Between the sea and the Lys we have progressed at different points on the front, as follows: One hundred and fifty meters between the sea and the road from Nieuport to Westende, 150 meters in the region of Steenstrate-Bixchoote. Our gain is 800 meters northeast of Beausejour. On the Meuse one battery of 77 millimeters and 15 millimeters was silenced by our artillery."

FOX TERRIER BROUGHT HELP.

Rushed to Next Trench When Section Was Buried by a Shell.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—In one of the Paris auxiliary hospitals lies Andre Fournier, an infantryman, with two broken ribs, who owes his life to his pet fox terrier, Miquette. A week ago a German "coal-box" shell fell on the trench near Arras, which Fournier's section was defending, and buried them entirely. Miquette, hardly more than a puppy at the outbreak of the war, had shared the campaign carried on her master's knapsack, was scratching a rathole outside the trench when the shell arrived. She escaped unruffled, but was greatly distressed not to find her master or companions.

She promptly ran across the fields to the next trench, and whined so meaningly that a party came and succeeded in unearthing the section. Many were killed and wounded by the shell, but Fournier had only broken ribs. Miquette has a place on the bed which Fournier expects to vacate early next year.

LORAINE TO RE-ENTER WAR.

Actor Plans to Take Fastest Aeroplane to the Front.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Robert Loraine, the actor, who recently was wounded by a shrapnel bullet while serving with the British forces on the Continent, has returned to England to convalesce. He says he expects to go back to the front in two months with the fastest aeroplane ever built in England.

The Newcastle at Valparaiso.

VALPARAISO, Dec. 23.—The British cruiser Newcastle arrived here today, and is taking on coal and provisions.

HAIR
Its Nature, Growth, and Common Affections, with Rules for Its Preservation. Illustrated. 3d Edition. $1.50 postpaid.
By RICHARD W. MULLER, M. D.
Wm. R. Jenkins Co., Pubs., N. Y.

JOHN GALSWORTHY ON BELGIUM'S WOE

Begs America to Save Little Nation from Stark and Icy Clutch of Famine.

VANDERBILT GIVES $25,000

Goes to Aid Paris Hospital—Two More Food Ships Sail—Red Cross Fund Grows.

John Galsworthy, the English novelist, author of "The Silver Box," "The Inn of Tranquility," "The Fugitive," and many other works, has written for the American Commission for Relief in Belgium the following appeal for destitute Belgians:

By JOHN GALSWORTHY.

A nation hungry. Seven millions on the edge of famine in Winter. The world has seen some black sights in its time; has it ever seen a blacker than this spectacle in Belgium starving?

America, you are a great country. America, without flattery you are the humane country. Save this little nation, this little, brave, starving nation.

A London slum child prayed: "O Lord! If ye ever felt yer'd like to 'elp a feller, now's yer chance, O Lord." Now is your chance, America. We in England have done something; we will do as much as we can; but the scythe of sacrifice sweeps in all our fields. Funds are many; the war long and desperate. No more foodstuffs may be sent forth from this country, or from Holland. But from somewhere foodstuffs must be sent, for the Belgians are starving. You in America are already doing much; you have given sympathy, and time, and money. But the dimensions of this catastrophe are terrible. Eight hundred thousand to a million pounds a month—by expert estimate, are wanted to keep starvation from these seven million people.

A Nation's Life Torn Up.

If there be in all history so black, so pitiful a case, I do not know it. A nation's life torn up—not by the roots as yet, for faith and fortitude remain, but mown off level with the ground. Belgium is deflowered, and done to living death; Belgium is starving. If the hands of pity be not extended swiftly the shame of this must forever haunt the dreams of all mankind. If Belgium be left to starve, how shall the world ever again sleep quiet in its bed?

America, you are great and generous. You stand for humanity as no country has ever yet stood. You alone, of all the nations fortunate enough to be outside the ring of this mad war, have wealth and strength for a task like this. You alone can keep the flame of hope alive, the pulse of life beating in this starving nation. The world looks to you, America; looks to you to do justice to your own great heart. You have already lifted this burden of good deeds from the ground; shoulder it as you alone know how, with that fine, fierce energy of yours. See this work of rescue through—and all the world shall bless you.

"Famine a Very Simple Thing."

No words have eloquence to voice the misery and peril of that little country. Words are an insult. There is, there can be no American, of what origin soever, who has not suffered, thinking of Belgium—thinking of that charred land. Restoration will come. But to restore needs must that the nation shall not have died first of sheer cold and hunger. Famine is a very simple thing. First will go the old men and women; then the children—cold and hungry children—young birds with gaping beaks. And the strong last. Yes, famine is a very simple thing, with its stark and icy clutch.

Eight hundred thousand to a million pounds a month are needed to keep that clutch from the throat of Belgium. Give, America, give. Raise the greatest monument to Pity ever built. Let it be a star in the sky of all your future that you rescued from this miserable fate the old, the little ones, the strong, of a whole nation whose only sin was that it stood firm to serve mankind. Let it be a golden memory that you succored and uplifted them, kept the breath in their bodies and in their souls faith living; faith that humanity, the sweet humanity which alone can warm and sanctify our lives, is not a spent and driven ghost, but still flesh and blood, and a comrade in the dark.

If you ever felt you'd like to help a fellow, now's your chance, America.

VANDERBILT GIVES $25,000.

Two More Food Ships Sail for Belgium—Other Relief Work.

William K. Vanderbilt sent a check for $25,000 to J. P. Morgan & Co. yesterday to be applied to the fund for the maintenance of the American Ambulance Hospital in Paris. This is the largest individual gift yet made in New York for the relief of suffering in Europe. There have been several gifts of $10,000 to the Belgian Fund and other similar funds for European relief work.

The American Ambulance Fund, with Mr. Vanderbilt's gift, is now $249,910. The American committee is trying to raise enough to buy, equip, and maintain for six months 100 American-built motor ambulances at a cost of about $1,100 each. In the past ten days eight ambulances have been given to the committee. Subscriptions to the fund should be sent to J. P. Morgan & Co., 23 Wall Street. Yesterday's contributions, exclusive of Mr. Vanderbilt's, amounted to $285 from the following:

W. E. Malley	$25	Mrs. Lloyd Bryce	$150
Mrs. H. Goodwin	50	Vitagraph Co.	50
Atherton Clare	10		

Two More Food Ships Sail.

The American Commission for Relief in Belgium, 71 Broadway, sent two more steamships, laden with supplies for the Belgians, yesterday. One ship sailed from New York and the other from Philadelphia. The New York ship was the St. Kentigern, which carried 240,000 bushels of wheat. The Philadelphia ship was the Ferrona, with 260,000 bushels of wheat. The value of the two cargoes is about $650,000.

The Belgian Relief Fund now amounts to $725,372.23. Of this amount $9,140.25 was received yesterday. Subscriptions should be sent to J. P. Morgan & Co., 23 Wall Street, or to the Belgian Relief Committee, 8 and 10 Bridge Street. Yesterday's subscriptions of $10 or more were:

James McLean	$1,000	Circle of Mercy, Kingston	$30
Utica Fund	1,000	Ruth Wells	10
Pres. Ch., Morristown	667	C. Birdsall	10
W. D. Bryden	110	Boarding Dept of Kent Pl.	28
P. McEwen	100	E. F. Lohr	10
Hartford Fund	944	Miss E. McBride	28
Woonsocket Bur'u	500	Anonymous	25
Mrs. S. M. Taylor	200	R. H. Goodwillie	30
Providence Journal, (col.)	121	F. W. Merriam	20
"Scrap of Paper"	190	Christian Ch., Angola, Ind.	12
Carthage, N. C.	55	Robert Cornin	15
"R."	50	Illinois Norm'l Sch	32
Alice C. E. Vernon	50	E. T. Higgins	15
P. G. Schwartz	11	H. C. Myers	10
F. E. Curtis	20	R. Merington	25
Agnes Chase	11	B. G.	500
Mrs. F. E. Curtis	10	Mrs. J. A. Childs	550
Mrs. W. O. Ludlow	10	Princeton Red C.	12
St. Margaret's Sch., Waterbury	25	E. E. Bernheimer	18
A. Stubbs	10	S. E. Urner	20
C. G. Meaker Co.	25	Phila M. Whipple and sister	20
M. E. Ch., Elm Grove, W. Va.	14	Taftville, Conn., Church	10
G. S.	10	Clarion Norm. Sch.	15
Montenecourt, (col.)	13	W. S.	15
J. R. Bates	10	Miss B. Van Wright	10
Grace M. Trippe	31	Mrs. Hoyt	50
S. Matthews	10	N. Y. Herald	137
Maude H. Matthews	10	Loretta Gary	10
F. Wollerheim	10	Mrs. C. W. Kress	25
G. W. Dyne	10	Mrs. W. Emerson	100
Waterbury Republican, (col.)	60	A. Hazen	50
		A. A. Beebe	50

W. W. Wineland	10	Mme. Vandervelde Cooper Union meet'g, (add'l)	1,170
Cash	10	Miss A. S. Woodman, (col.)	21
H. S. Hull	25	Mrs. Neeser, (col.)	12
F. Fay	25	P. Mall, (col.)	12
Mrs. E. L. Frank	25	Mrs. C. O. L. and E. L. P. L., (col)	10
M. S.	10	A. Becar, (col.)	17
Mrs. R. W. Tuttle	13	Davison's Pharmacy, (col.)	15
B. E. Chappelow	25	New Century Club, (col.)	22
Anonymous	15	T., (col.)	10
W. V. Bradley	10		
Bapt. Ch., Hartford, N. Y.	10		
Dr. B. F. Saylor	10		
Ada R. Chase, (col.)	10		
Anonymous	26		

Blind Players Give $57.

"The Pollyanna Players," made up of blind girls of the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities, sent $57 to the Belgian Relief Fund yesterday with a letter in point print from Elizabeth Payne, President of the Pollyanna Club, in which she says:

> The young women workers of the Brooklyn Headquarters for the Blind have organized a Pollyanna Club, whose motto is "Be Glad." Ten of the members gave a play for the Belgian children. "The Pollyanna Players" include girls of German, French, Russian, Belgian, English, Irish, and American extraction, and we are all united in the wish to bring a little gladness to the suffering children of the frontier. We have decided that by applying the entire $57 for condensed milk we shall be able to bring more lasting gladness to the little ones in need than by any other Christmas gift we could make. May we have your advice in the matter?

Gifts to the Red Cross.

The Red Cross Fund was increased by $3,140.95 yesterday and now totals $415,089.94. Subscriptions should be sent to Jacob H. Schiff, Treasurer, 130 East Twenty-second Street, or 52 William Street. Yesterday's subscriptions of $10 or more were:

Italian Charity Ball	$1,127
Brooklyn Red Cross	410
B. Dernburg (Col.)	329
Girls Horace Mann H. S.	225
Staten Island Bazaar	200
Beaux Arts	118
Class of 1916, St. Agatha	110
Aid Society Upper Montclair	100
Working Girls, Naugatuck, Conn.	100
Morrisville, N. Y.	70
Mabel V. Moore	50
The Rev. F. L. Janeway	50
Massillon, Ohio	30
West Pittston (Penn.) H. S.	30
Union School of Religion	26
Hahne & Co. (Col.)	28
M. B. Belknap	25
St. James P. E. Ch., Pullman, Wash.	20
Camp Fire Girls, Naugatuck, Conn.	15
Gloucester County, Va.	11
Texas University Students	11
Chr. Ch., Barranquilla, Colombia, S.A.	10

To Committee of Mercy.

August Belmont, Treasurer of the Committee of Mercy, announced the following subscriptions yesterday:

GENERAL FUND.

James D. Phelan	$100
A. C. Gumee	100
Elizabeth A. Bowen	10
P. S. Livermore	10
Caroline D. Clements, 27 W. 67th St.	75
Jane Scott	50

BELGIAN FUND.

M. B. Story, 107 E. 19th St., Brooklyn	20
Waltersdore & Co.	15

BRITISH FUND.

Marie A. Aspenwall	50
Mrs. A. C. Wheelwright	25
Margaret W. Smith	10

The fund now totals $89,422.04. Subscriptions should now be sent to August Belmont, 200 Fifth Avenue.

Dollar Christmas Fund $48,460.

Donations of $1,205 yesterday brought the Dollar Christmas Fund to $48,460.

W. M. Hubbard	$11	J. B. Park	$11
F. M. Smith	54	H. E. Smith, Jr.	10
Missouri Normal School	66	P. Ladams	10
L. B. Henderson	50	J. F. Stahl	10
Josiah Lasell	50	S. H. Cauffiel	10
Charles E. Carey	50	Mrs. G. H. Hawes	10
L. F. Jones, Jr.	50	H. W. Merkel	10
Class '17, Cincinnati Prep. Sch.	48	Dan T. Guinan	10
"E"	25	Mrs. H. M. Scorill	10
W. D. Ranzi	25	W. R. Goodwin	10
R. C. Wright	25	H. McKee Wing	10
J. P. Jefferson	25	W. M. Campbell	10
"W. W."	25	A. P. Ellis	10
Hamilton (N. Y.) Republican	20	Ellen H. Jackson	10
W. K. Roland	20	J. B. Walter	10
		Mrs. M. L. Pronty	10
		Mrs. M. A. Young	10
		M. A. Young	10

Most of the contributions were dollar bills, but $54 credited above to F. M. Smith represents individual gifts of a nickel each from citizens of Springfield, N. Y. "It's worth noting," says Mr. Clews, "that if everybody in the United States contributed only one nickel, the problem of averting starvation among the Belgians would be solved."

Comforts for the Front.

The British-American War Relief Fund, 200 Fifth Avenue, sent abroad this week by the steamships Menominee and Baltic twenty-three cases containing anaesthetics, warm underwear, socks, helmets, mufflers, wristlets, blankets, cardigan jackets, sweaters, and hospital supplies.

The work of packing 2,400 comfort kits, to be sent by the Lafayette Fund to the soldiers of France, will be started at the fund's storehouse, 13 East Thirty-third Street, this morning. These kits will go forward on Monday or Tuesday on the steamship Chicago of the French Line. Each kit will contain a complete suit of fleece underwear, two pairs of woolen socks, a pair of woolen gloves, an abdominal belt, a heavy muffler, a colored handkerchief, and a cake of soap.

This will be the second shipment by the Lafayette Fund. The first was forwarded on the Rochambeau. Also a shipment of linen and knitted goods for the wounded and convalescent soldiers recently was made. The work of this fund is being pushed actively. The contributions to date amount to $15,678 and responses are coming in from all parts of the country.

Plea for Jewish Sufferers.

Jacob H. Schiff, Chairman of the American Jewish Committee for Sufferers from the War, issued a special appeal yesterday emphasizing the need for a more adequate response to the committee's appeal. Mr. Schiff says that apparently the gravity of the situation is not realized. He says:

"In Russia alone we are advised that there are 2,000,000 Jewish refugees and more than 200,000 in Galicia. In Palestine money scarcely buys food, and a food ship is necessary. In these appalling conditions united effort is called for. Unless we come promptly to the aid of our co-religionists speedy and wholesale starvation stares them in the face. Contributions may be made in one amount or in monthly payments throughout the war, for a definite period."

Checks may be made payable to Felix M. Warburg, 52 William Street.

A concert, the proceeds of which will be devoted to the relief of wounded Belgian soldiers, will be held in Cooper Union next Monday night. A large number of singers and musicians have promised to take part in the concert. Tickets are $1 each.

PRAISES AMERICAN RED CROSS

English Doctor's Wife Writes of Its Splendid Work at Pau.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—A letter praising the work of the two American Red Cross hospital units, six surgeons and twenty-four nurses in all, stationed at Pau, France, written by Mrs. F. Leonard Brown, wife of an English doctor in Pau, to Miss E. K. Mahan, daughter of the late Rear Admiral A. T. Mahan of the United States Navy, says in part:

"The work of the American doctors and nurses is beyond praise. So many speak to me of the skill and tenderness of the surgeons and the devotion of the nurses, who are like mothers to the wounded. We indeed owe a debt of gratitude to the American Red Cross, and I for one am especially grateful."

Mrs. Brown was formerly Miss Rosalie Evans of Philadelphia.

RELIEF FOR RAID VICTIMS.

Britain to Indemnify Sufferers in Shelled Seacoast Towns.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The British Government has decided to indemnify from the Imperial funds those who suffered bodily or property losses as a result of the recent German naval raid on the coast towns of Scarsborough, Whitby, Hartlepool, and West Hartlepool.

500,000 Canteens Ordered.

NEW KENSINGTON, Penn., Dec. 23.—An order for 500,000 aluminium canteens for one of the belligerent nations of Europe was received by a manufacturing company here today. Several months will be required to fill the order, but shipments are to be made each week.

BELGIANS WELCOME HERE, SAYS BRYAN

Westminster Gazette Quotes Him as Saying America Is in Deep Sympathy with Them.

AID RESTS WITH CONGRESS

Thinks Senate and House Would Modify Immigration Laws to Meet the Emergency.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—An interview with Secretary William J. Bryan, obtained by the Rev. D. MacFadyen at Northfield, Mass., on Dec. 7, is prominently featured in The Westminster Gazette this evening. The writer describes Mr. Bryan as "one of the most discussed men in the United States." It is explained that "his critics and political opponents say he is a sentimentalist and speechmaker; his friends and admirers say that he is one of America's unrecognized great men, a great Democrat, and an idealist and champion of the people's cause second to none."

By way of further explanation the writer asserts: "They say that it was his generosity that made Mr. Wilson President, and that he ought to have the next Democratic nomination." It is added that when the interview was obtained Mr. Bryan was sympathetic, "but rather deeply conscious of the restraint of his office." The interview is as follows:

"Much as we may sympathize with your cause, [Belgian relief,] and anxious as we are to do what we can to relieve the distress of the Belgians, we must do nothing and say nothing which can be construed into a violation of our attitude of political neutrality. The man in the street may speak as he feels, but neither President Wilson nor myself could make any statement which might arouse a feeling that we were favoring any one nation of those now at war. Our immigration laws were, of course, not framed for such an emergency as this, but if President Wilson were to promise any relaxation in favor of the Belgians the effect would probably be to produce immediate opposition.

Rests with Congress.

"The people here are very independent. Every one says and does as he thinks best in Congress. The real master of the situation is Congress. If our immigration laws are to be modified, Congress must do it, and if approached through the Chairmen of their own committees, probably Congress and the Senate would agree in a case which is so fully supported by public sentiment as this.

"Mr. Wilson has already expressed his sympathy with your plan of bringing Belgian agriculturists to the United States. They should be welcomed here as a valuable addition to our citizens. The qualities of the Belgian gardener and farmer would be certain to secure success here if they get on to the right kind of soil. They must avoid old soils, which are not so prolific as they were. They must come to a definite settlement somewhere, and not as paupers or as stray seekers of work, adding to the slum population of our great cities, where already we have a vast population of foreign immigrants whom we find it hard to assimilate.

"Our difficulty in a case of this kind is that we have so many nations represented in the United States, and they are very jealous. Your case in England is different. Belgium was an ally and every one wanted to do something to show his appreciation of the heroic defense of Liége. English hospitality was the payment of a debt of honor, but if we were to do here what you have done in England other nations injured by the war would at once say, 'Why not for us, too?' It is doubtful whether we could take any Governmental action at all without calling out that sentiment.

Encourages Private Aid.

"On the other hand, we are glad to see everything done that can be done by private individuals or corporations, and we shall facilitate it in every way we can consistent with our political neutrality, but our action must be philanthropic rather than political, and it must not be represented as expressing indignation at what Germany has done. However we may think or feel on that point, there are many Germans in the United States who will justify everything Germany has done in Belgium.

"Yes, the tribute to our American Ambassadors and Consuls is well deserved. They have come out well in the emergency. Perhaps an emergency like this is better suited to the genius of America than the ordinary processes of diplomacy. Our people have less experience in red tape and more initiative than most of those who take up the work of diplomacy."

ASKS DR. HILLIS TO DEBATE.

Henry Weismann Sends German Challenge to Plymouth Pastor.

"In behalf of German-Americans," Henry Weismann of Brooklyn last night mailed to Dr Newell Dwight Hillis, pastor of Plymouth Church, a challenge to a public debate on Germanism. Mr. Weismann said that Dr. Hillis had sorely offended Germans and that he felt that it was his duty to answer him before the public. He said:

> Since Dr. Hillis has appealed to the millions of German-Americans to aid Great Britain by telling their brethren on the other side of the ocean to make their peace with the Allies, I sincerely trust that he will accept my challenge to debate the question of Germany's guilt or innocence at a public meeting.
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> Dr. Hillis owes that much to the American citizens of German birth or extraction. I have told Dr. Hillis that I am willing to bear all the expenses of the proposed debate, leaving it to him to select the time and place.

Mr. Weismann is President of the Brooklyn German-American Alliance.

WILHELMINA GIVES $1,000,000.

Underwrites 2,500,000 Florins of 275,000,000-Florin Loan.

THE HAGUE, (via London,) Dec. 23.—Queen Wilhelmina, in signing a bill today for a war loan of 275,000,000 florins, ($110,000,000,) informed the Finance Minister that she would personally underwrite 2,500,000 florins ($1,000,000) of the amount.

Next to the Czar of Russia, whose annual income from the crown lands alone is said to be over $10,000,000 annually, Queen Wilhelmina is the wealthiest sovereign in Europe. Her father, King William III., who died in 1889, squandered a vast fortune in dissipation. His father had left him outright 100,000,000 florins aside from vast interests in banking houses, commercial companies, and real estate in Java. The Princes of Orange and Nassau, from whom Queen Wilhelmina is descended, always had their share in any enterprise indulged in by their subjects.

STRINGENT RULES FOR LONDON 'CHANGE

Present Minimum Prices to be Maintained—No Aliens to be Admitted.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—It was officially announced this evening that the London Stock Exchange would reopen on Jan. 4. It has been closed since the beginning of the war.

The conduct of business, however, will be restricted by stringent regulations, imposed by the Treasury in the interest of the nation.

The regulations under which the Exchange will operate include the following:

Dealings except for cash will be prohibited.

The present minimum price lists are to be maintained and extended to all transactions recorded.

A broker at the time of selling securities must show that he possesses or controls them.

No dealings in new issues will be allowed unless approved by the Treasury.

No member will be allowed to bid for or offer stock openly in the market.

No member will be permitted to negotiate the purchase or sale of shares dealt in on the American market "at a less price than the English equivalent of the New York closing price of the 30th of July."

Only British born or naturalized members and clerks will be admitted to the Exchange.

PEACE ANNIVERSARY TODAY.

Centenary of the Treaty of Ghent to be Celebrated.

One hundred years of peace between English-speaking peoples will be commemorated today in the United States, Great Britain, and Canada. Originally it was planned to observe the centennial of the signing of the Treaty of Ghent by a series of celebrations beginning with a Christmas Eve dinner given by the Burgomaster of Ghent in the hall where the treaty was signed. Fifty Americans, fifty Englishmen, and fifty Canadians were to be his guests. The ancient Belgian city is today occupied by the Germans, so there will be no peace banquet there tonight.

The war has spoiled another part of the celebration—the presentation of Sulgrave Manor, the home of the ancestors of George Washington in England, to the American people. The home already has been purchased, and probably will be presented later.

However, this anniversary will not be allowed to pass unnoticed on either side of the Atlantic. The people of the United States and of Great Britain are called upon to commemorate the day in proclamations issued today by both the American and British Peace Centenary Committees. The American Committee, which includes Joseph H. Choate, William H. Taft, Oscar S. Straus, Elihu Root, and Andrew Carnegie, calls upon the American people to arrange appropriate exercises, and sets the following dates on which they should be held: Feb. 14, in all churches; Feb. 17 and 18, in all State capitals, and Feb. 22, in all schools. The address adds:

"The American Peace Centenary Committee cannot permit this anniversary to pass without inviting the thoughtful attention of their fellow-citizens to the contrast presented by the century long period of peace which English-speaking peoples have enjoyed among themselves on the one hand, and the appalling destruction of life, property, and great monuments of civilization which the European war involves on the other.

"Even at such a time, we must avow once more our emphatic faith in the supremacy of justice over force, of law over might. We rejoice in the peaceful relations of a hundred years among all English-speaking peoples, and particularly in the undefended and unfortified line, nearly 4,000 miles in length, which divides the territory of the United States from that of the Dominion of Canada. The mutual trust, forbearance, and helpfulness which make that undefended boundary a link and not a barrier between two peoples, we offer as an example to our warring brothers across the sea."

The British Committee's address expresses the hope that "the disarmed frontier between the United States and Canada may long continue as an example to the world of the safe defense of mutual respect and trust in the affairs of nations," and prays that "the peace between the British and American democracies which has so long endured may never be broken." It is signed by Earl Grey, Lord Cowdray, the Duchess of Marlborough, ex-Ambassador James Bryce, Harry E. Brittain, and others.

CANAL NEEDS $10,000,000.

Goethals Seeks Money for Dry Docks, Barracks, and Wharves.

Col. George W. Goethals, Governor of the Canal Zone, arrived yesterday on the steamship Panama from Colon, accompanied by his wife, to spend the holidays with his son at West Point. This will be the first Christmas the Canal builder has spent in the United States since 1906. The Governor said that after the holidays he would go to Washington and ask the Ways and Means Committee of the House for an additional appropriation of $10,000,000 to build dry docks, barracks, machine shops and necessary wharves for the Canal.

When asked about his cable message to Washington, asking that torpedo destroyers should be dispatched to the Canal Zone, Col. Goethals said:

"I sent the message at the request of the naval officer of the Canal Zone. I had been informed that there had been two violations of the neutrality laws, one was a ship leaving without any clearance papers and the other vessel was reported to have used her wireless within the Canal Zone. The matter is now in the hands of the authorities in Washington."

With regard to the Canal slides the Colonel said that Gold Hill appeared to be settling. The dredges had been doing good work in the Culebra Cut, he asserted, but he added that he might have to ask for an additional dredge to be kept there for one year. Ships were now going through in eight hours instead of twelve, he said, and the three locks were passed in thirty minutes instead of fifty-five.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Secretary Daniels today received from Lieut. R. L. Crenshaw, the American naval officer at Colon in charge of the naval radio station in the Panama Canal Zone, a report confirmatory of his previous official message that a British collier had violated neutrality by sending a code message from jurisdictional waters of the zone to British warships. Both these reports from Lieut. Crenshaw apparently conflict with the statement contained in a memorandum filed with the State Department this week by Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British Ambassador.

Neither the British Embassy statement nor the first message from Lieut. Crenshaw gave the name of the collier, and because of the apparent conflict Secretary Daniels yesterday sent a message to Lieut. Crenshaw, asking for the name of the collier whose radio apparatus he had dismantled. Lieut. Crenshaw replied today that the name of the offending collier was the Protesilaus, and that on Dec. 10, while she was at Balboa, she was detected sending radio messages in code to British warships. Lieut. Crenshaw reported also that he had sent Canal Zone police aboard the collier, and dismantled her wireless apparatus.

SCHWAB CANCELS SUBMARINE ORDER

Head of Bethlehem Steel Co. Says He Followed Secretary Bryan's Advice.

SEES A BOOM IN TRADE

Our Chief Problem Is to Provide Ships for Increased Traffic, He Contends.

Charles M. Schwab, President of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, returned yesterday on the Cunard liner Lusitania from a brief trip to London, where he canceled large orders for submarines which he had received from the British and French Navies. He was accompanied by Archibald Johnstone, Vice President of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, and H. E. Browne of the Fore River Shipbuilding Company.

"I had some large contracts to construct submarines for various foreign Governments," Mr. Schwab said, "and before starting to execute the orders I went to Washington and consulted with Secretary of State Bryan, who informed me that under the Alabama decision the building of any vessel or sections of a vessel in one country for a belligerent country in time of war was a violation of the neutrality laws. Accordingly, I went to Europe and canceled the contracts."

"Have you a $25,000,000 contract with Great Britain to supply shell and shrapnel?" he was asked.

Mr. Schwab smiled and replied that he had several contracts with foreign nations, but declined to state their nature.

"When I went away from New York," Mr. Schwab continued, "I was very optimistic regarding the business outlook for 1915, and said that the increase in trade would begin this month and go on steadily through next year.

"I based this prophecy on the fact that, to my personal knowledge, $300,000,000 of contracts have been placed in this country from Europe, and they have all to be completed before December, 1915. I do not wish to imply that there will be a big boom in business during the next three months, but there will be a steady upward trend which will benefit the manufacturing industries all over the United States.

"The next problem that this country will have to face will be the development of transportation facilities to meet the tremendous increase in commercial and manufacturing enterprises in 1915."

Mr. Schwab said that he was very glad to hear of the 5 per cent. increase granted to the Eastern railroads on Monday, and he asserted that he was in favor of it, although the increase would cost his company thousands of dollars every year. He believed, he asserted, that it was necessary, and that the railroads had to make money for their stockholders.

Mr. Schwab admitted that he had seen the Audacious sunk off Lough Swilly, but would not discuss the disaster in any way. It was his fifty-second trip across the Atlantic, he said, and the first time he had been seasick and confined to his cabin.

Mr. Schwab managed to get to the dining saloon on Tuesday night, and told some funny stories at the concert, which resulted in the collection of $375 for the Seamen's Fund.

Mr. Browne, when asked what he thought of the threat of Admiral von Tirpitz to cut off England's food supplies by blowing up the ships with submarines, said that there was no doubt that Germany could build a number of submarines with a radius of 5,000 miles, but he could not say whether they would succeed in stopping the supplies.

SUSPECT WIDE BOMB PLOT.

New Orleans Police Think Arrests Important—Ball Bonds only $1,000.

Special to The New York Times.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 23.—The police here continue to attach great importance to the arrest yesterday of Hans Halle and George Sommers, German-Americans, charged with plotting to destroy French and English ships by means of bombs, and mysterious hints were dropped of a sensation in the diplomatic world that would be caused by their arrest. The police continued to work on the theory that Halle was the agent of a gang working in various cities, not named, with headquarters here or in New York.

But when Halle and Sommers were arraigned today in court the bond of each was placed at only $1,000, while Conrad Brickman was held in $500 as a material witness. Halle said in open court that he wished to plead guilty, but this plea was not accepted because Halle had no lawyer. He was remanded in default of bond, as was Sommers.

So impressed with the arrests was Police Supt. J. W. Reynolds that he declared that some of the British ships sent to the bottom of the sea presumably by German mines or submarines might have been destroyed by bombs made in New Orleans. In police circles the plottings of Halle and Sommers are believed to be part of an international conspiracy against the Allies.

"We are working along lines," said Supt. Reynolds, "which may develop sensational disclosures and result in the arrest of men prominent in international affairs. This is no petty case, but all I am prepared to say now is that Halle was supplied with money through Sommers, proprietor of the Faust Hotel, according to a witness, and that Sommers was equally guilty with Halle in the manufacture of infernal machines intended to blow up ships of the Allies after they had left his port."

Dr. P. Roh, German Consul General here, gave out a statement today declaring Halle and Sommers had no official connection with the German Government.

HEERINGEN TALK IN LONDON.

Newspapers Reprint Interview with The New York Times Correspondent

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The Daily Chronicle publishes two columns of THE NEW YORK TIMES correspondent's interview with Gen. von Heeringen.

The Morning Post, Daily Mail, and The Times print long extracts cabled from New York. The Times gives it half a column on the principal news page.

The Pall Mall Gazette, which with other afternoon papers reproduces a summary of the interview, says in an editorial note:

"Gen. von Heeringen is still confident that Lord Kitchener's army will be of small account. It does not seem to occur to the General that his countrymen's judgment upon the second line may prove as erroneous as the one on the first line, but we have some confidence in the ability of the new force to do a little eye-opening also."

GERMANS ACCUSED OF LOOTING

Havre Report Says Officers Stole From Brussels Collections.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

HAVRE, Dec. 23.—It is reported that, after looting jewels, silver, furniture, pianos, and even women's clothing, the Germans in Brussels proceeded to take possession of the collections of medals in the Chamber of Representatives. German officers who had quarters there are said to have carried off all the gold, silver, and silver-gilt articles in the place.

On being informed of this the Military Governor protested against the act, but nothing was done to bring the officers to book.

DARDANELLES GUARDS SENTENCED TO DEATH

Court-Martial on Turkish and German Officers After Blowing Up of Messudieh.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

ATHENS, Dec. 23, (Dispatch to The London Daily News.)—The blowing up of the battleship Messudieh by a British submarine made a great impression in Constantinople, as it was considered that the Dardanelles were inaccessible. On account of this fact the commanders of the forts and of a torpedo boat destroyer have been held responsible.

On the third day after the disaster a special court-martial, presided over by high Turkish and German officers, was held to try twenty Turks and ten Germans. Three were condemned to death, it being held that they had shown neglect. Less severe sentences were passed on seventeen others, among them some Germans.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Delayed advices to this Government from Constantinople say that the Turkish officials regarded the blowing up of the battleship Messudieh as a severe loss. The feat caused consternation in the Turkish capital because of the fear that more submarines would penetrate the Dardanelles in the future.

The Turkish officials, according to the same advices, have been much perturbed in regard to spies. They assert that every time the Turkish fleet enters the Black Sea the Russians are immediately aware of the movement and send a stronger force to drive the Turkish ships back into port.

KING AND QUEEN SEND CARDS TO THE TROOPS

Christmas Greetings to Every Man Afloat and Ashore—Kaiser's Train Trip to the Front.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—King George and Queen Mary are sending to every soldier and sailor serving in the British forces on land and sea a card of personal Christmas greetings.

The cards, which have been prepared in three forms, one for the army, one for the navy, and the third for the wounded, have photogravure portraits of their Majesties, with a facsimile of the greetings as written by the King himself and with his and the Queen's autographs at the bottom. The greeting for the army and navy reads:

> With best wishes for Christmas, 1914. May God protect you and bring you home safe.
>
> MARY, R.
> GEORGE, R. I.

The greetings for the wounded are as follows:

> With our best wishes for Christmas, 1914. May you soon be restored to health.
>
> MARY, R.
> GEORGE, R. I.

Their Majesties' intention to send the cards had been kept secret, and so they are an agreeable surprise to the recipients. Every card has been sent to its recipient in a special envelope bearing the royal arms in rich dark crimson.

The total weight of the cards and envelopes exceeds 8 tons, and 180 huge packing cases were needed to contain them when they were sent to the naval depots and to France.

KAISER'S CHRISTMAS TRIP.

Dispensing the Season's Greetings, London Hears, from Armored Train.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 24.—Emperor William is traveling in an armored special train among his troops scattered along the Belgian and French front, delivering to them the season's greetings, according to a Daily Express frontier correspondent.

"The train," the correspondent says, "makes stops at all important points, and the Emperor receives the local chiefs at each halting place, discusses the local situation, and leaves his greeting to his soldiers.

"Of course, it is not announced where he will spend Christmas Day, but he will be close to the front, and a Christmas message from him will be delivered to each soldier through the General Staff.

"Christmas will be celebrated in the German trenches as far as possible. There will be plentiful feasts, many gifts from home and many small Christmas trees in most of the underground shelters, camps, and hospitals, and even on board the troop trains."

In a dispatch from Cologne the correspondent of the Central News says that Emperor William, with his entire staff, reached Cologne yesterday from Berlin on his way to the western battle front.

TRIED TO MAKE WAR IN 1913.

Historian Ferrero Says Austria Sought Chance to Attack Servia.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 24.—A dispatch from Rome says:

"The historian, Guglielmo Ferrero, publishes in the Messagero important revelations concerning Germany's and Austria's warlike intentions, which complete those recently made by Signor Giolitti, proving that Austria contemplated aggression against Servia last year.

"Ferrero says that some months before this attempt to provoke a European conflict, that is to say, in May, 1913, when Montenegro had occupied Scutari, Austria and Germany warned Italy of their intention to act against Montenegro and that in case of Russian interference they would not shrink at the prospect of a European war. The crisis was averted because Montenegro gave way on Russia's advice and evacuated Scutari.

"Ferrero says that the fact remains that in May, 1913, the two allied empires were resolved to bring about a European conflagration and were seeking an opportunity to do so."

PRAISES AMERICAN CHARITY.

London Times Expresses England's Gratitude to United States.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—In an editorial commenting regretfully on the necessity of postponing the celebration of the peace centenary, the Times today expresses the nation's gratitude to the United States for material proofs of sympathy and affection and for the work done for victims of the war. The article details a long list of American war charities and adds:

"In all history there has been no work like it. Never before have we received from another people proof so moving of interest and regard. We are not an effusive nation, but the American self-sacrifice and warm kindliness have sunk deep into our hearts. If we cannot today unite with our American friends in a great peace celebration we can at least bear testimony to the unparalleled munificence of their charity and the good-will they are showing to all, but not least to ourselves and our allies."

Drab K[illegible]ghlanders.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 24.—The Daily Telegraph says that, owing to the difficulty of obtaining kilt material of the various tartan patterns in sufficient quantity for the increased number of Highland battalions, it has been decided to adopt a uniform kilt of drab serge. Puttees also are to be substituted for shoes and gaiters.

The choicest and purest of tobaccos—a wholesomeness most acceptable! FATIMA, the Turkish-Blend cigarette

"Distinctively Individual"

Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co.

There may be some divergence in taste—but over one billion, five hundred millions of Fatimas were preferred and smoked last year!

JAPANESE PROPHET SEES WAR'S END SOON

In a New York Club, Kodama, with the Aid of Mystic Sticks, Predicts Events in 1915.

WILSON'S OUTLOOK BRIGHT

But Stream Running Down Hill! Indicates T. R.'s Oblivion, He Says.

Following a custom that was imported into Japan from China ages ago, Densho Kodama, a Japanese prophet and diviner, prayed before a fruit trimmed altar for two hours yesterday at the Nippon Club, in West Ninety-third Street. While he prayed Kodama held in his hands bundles of slender sticks and occasionally he would burst the bundle apart, holding a portion in each hand. He would count the sticks and then he would write in his book of divinations. At 1 o'clock, when the ceremony was concluded, Kodama gave out 1915 prophecies concerning the war, including the date of its ending, concerning the future of President Wilson, which was bright, and the future of Col. Roosevelt, which was rather gloomy.

Kodama chose yesterday for his prayers because it was the shortest day of the year. For many years on this day, it has been his custom, he said, to ask of the "Almighty Power" about national and international events and to announce his prophecies.

"But this year I was away from my own land," he explained, "and so I made my devotions and sought answers to my questions here in the Nippon Club of your city. The prophetic power which I invoked was not taught to me as part of the Shinto religion or any other religion. It came to the Japanese before the standard religions did. In Japan I would have erected on my altar a plain piece of wood on which I would have draped decorations of white. But here I chose a little green tree and decked it in white and put fruit near it and lighted candles. The white decorations represent truth and the power and purity of the Almighty Power."

A question submitted to Kodama had to do with Col. Roosevelt's immediate future.

"It was a picture of a stream running placidly down hill," he answered. "No tendency to run uphill, or torrentous tendency. That means that Col. Roosevelt will be going down all next year and never going up at all. It also means that he will submit to it. I saw this picture once before. I asked what would happen to Victoriano Huerta in Mexico. He was then at the height of his power, but he ran down hill after that as I prophecied he would."

Kodama announced the picture he saw when he inquired about President Wilson. "I saw a man rowing a boat across rough water," he said, "and I saw him reach the other shore in safety. This means that President Wilson will face troubles, but will solve them all right. I predict that he will meet three big problems next year, two of them domestic and one connected with foreign affairs. He will settle them all right and when he has done so there will come an end to his unpopularity. The people will like him for doing it. One will come to him from the Southwest, I would say from Mexico.

"When I asked about the end of the war I saw a picture which enables me to predict that the war will end next May by the intervention of a powerful nation. Since one of the problems I saw brought to President Wilson came from abroad I feel that he may be the powerful force which intervenes to end the war."

WAR BOOMS PARIS PRESS.

Circulation Vastly Increased by Interest in News from the Front.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—Among the changes in the Parisians' habits effected by the war not the least striking is the fact that the Frenchman now buys several newspapers instead of a single sheet representing his favorite political or literary views. Although mobilization greatly curtailed the services of the staffs, the demand for the latest news is so imperative that the circulation of the various papers has largely increased despite the decrease in the population of Paris—it is estimated that only 500,000 of the 1,000,000 who left the city when it was threatened by von Kluck have returned—despite the paucity of news, consisting mainly of meagre official communiqués, and despite the reduced size of the papers, due to the excision of most items of genuine interest and novelty.

The newly formed newspaper habit has increased the sale of The Matin from about 1,000,000 to 1,300,000, and that of The Petit Parisien from 1,200,000 to 1,500,000, while the smaller papers are gaining proportionately. One now frequently sees a French head of a family buying a sheaf of papers to read aloud through the Winter evening, lengthened by the early closing of the caffé, while society knitting parties—war's substitute for the tango—find the recital of the news a most agreeable accompaniment.

Another explanation of the increase is the huge number of newspapers daily sent to the front, partly for the information of the soldiers, but more to warm them, it being the accepted French theory that paper undervests afford the greatest protection against the cold. The Petit Parisien is said thus to dispose of more than 500,000 copies daily.

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GERMANS INVADE ANGOLA.

Portuguese Commander Retreats Before Superior Force.

LISBON, Dec. 23, (via Paris.)—The Germans again have invaded Angola, Portuguese West Africa. This fact was announced in the Chamber of Deputies today by the Minister of Colonies, who said that the Germans had made a fresh attack on the military post at Naulila.

The commander of the post, Col. Rooadas, the Minister said, had only a small force at his disposal and retreated in order to obtain reinforcements with which to drive out the Germans.

PUT ON CONTRABAND LIST.

Resinous Products, Camphor, and Turpentine Now Included.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British Ambassador to the United States, delivered to the State Department today an official memorandum of notification from the British Government saying that that Government has decided to add resinous products, camphor, and turpentine to the British list of products being treated as absolute contraband.

These products are not considered contraband in the list of absolute contraband contained in international conventions. The purpose of the British Government is to prevent them reaching Germany and Austria for use in the manufacture of explosives.

Details as to when the decision goes into effect were not disclosed to the State Department, but the understanding is that it will be effective immediately by an order in council.

MISS DAHLGREN TO BE A NUN

Society Girl to Join Sisterhood that Aids Negroes and Indians.

Special to The New York Times.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—Miss Lucy Dahlgren, 21 years old, a social favorite of this city and New York, is to join the Blessed Sacrament Sisterhood, an order whose members devote their lives to work among negroes and Indians.

Miss Dahlgren, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Dahlgren of New York, recently divorced, is now studying in the convent of St. Leo's Church in East Twenty-ninth Street, New York. She will enter the convent at Cornwells, Penn., founded by her cousin, Mother Katharine Drexel, on Jan. 28.

According to her friends, Miss Dahlgren formerly planned to become a Carmelite nun. She studied with this object in view but was not thought strong enough for the rigorous life of the society. Members of the family will not discuss her decision to become a nun.

Miss Dahlgren is the oldest daughter among eight children of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Dahlgren. Her mother, Mrs. Lucy Drexel Dahlgren, is the second daughter of the late Joseph Drexel of Philadelphia, and her father, Eric Bernard Dahlgren, is a son of Rear Admiral Dahlgren, who was distinguished in the civil war. She was married to Mr. Dahlgren on Dec. 30, 1890, by the late Archbishop Corrigan, and began a divorce suit in this city in March, 1912.

Mrs. Dahlgren is a sister of Mrs. Harry Lehr, whose first husband, John V. Dahlgren, was a brother of Eric.

George Francis O'Neill Dead.

George Francis O'Neill, who represented Albert T. Patrick when he was pardoned by Gov. Dix, died yesterday at his home, 502 East Eighty-ninth Street. He was a lawyer, but before qualifying for the bar had been a customs inspector. Mr. O'Neill was twice Republican candidate for the State Senate from the Twenty-second District. He contracted tuberculosis a year ago and travelled for his health, but was unable to check the disease. He was 39 years old, unmarried, and lived with his two sisters.

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KEEPS UP LIQUOR FIGHT.

Hobson Predicts Material Gain in Next Congress.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Prohibition leaders in Congress, undismayed by the failure of the Hobson resolution in the House yesterday, began to realign their forces today for another fight in the Sixty-fourth Congress, which meets next December. Representative Hobson asserted that a vote at the next session would show a material gain for the prohibition cause, and reiterated his prediction that should the amendment fail again the question would be a paramount issue in the campaign of 1916. It is regarded as unlikely that an effort will be made to force a vote at this session in the Senate on Mr. Sheppard's constitutional amendment resolution which was submitted coincidently with the Hobson resolution in the House. Most of the prohibitionists in the Senate are inclined to believe that it would be a waste of time to make any effort to get the Senate on record at this time.

Representatives of the National Legislative Committee of the Anti-Saloon League of America in a formal statement today said:

"It is the first time in the history of the Republic that the question of national prohibition has got upon the floor of either branch of Congress. The fact that the first effort should show a clear majority of eight, exclusive of pairs, with both floor leaders, the Chairman of the Rules Committee, and the prestige of the President and the Secretary of State invoked against us, and in view of the further fact that no member of the present Congress was elected on this issue, is exceedingly gratifying."

South Trimble, Clerk of the House, examined last night's final roll call for some of the opponents of the Hobson resolution and found that 138 of the 189 who voted against the measure had been re-elected and would serve in the next Congress. With the total membership of the House, 435, voting, 146 negatives defeat a proposed constitutional amendment. So if all those who voted against the resolution last night hold to their views the opposition say they would need only 8 of the 134 new members in the next Congress to make certain another defeat.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 23.—Members of the Prohibition Party from Kansas, Iowa, and Missouri will meet here on Jan. 3 to launch a new campaign to last 120 days. An effort will be made to get 5,000,000 voters to sign a petition for national prohibition before the question again comes up in Congress.

The campaign will be prosecuted vigorously in all parts of the country. The United States has been divided into eleven districts. Kansas City will be headquarters for Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Nebraska, and New Mexico.

C. G. Hall, National Committeeman of the Prohibition Party, who is in charge of arrangements for the meeting, said today that the signers of the petition would be asked not to support any party in 1916 which did not have a national prohibition plank in its platform. Mr. Hall said that a convention of 50,000 delegates was to be held either in Chicago or Kansas City in 1916 to force the prohibition issue in the campaign of 1916.

FINDS BRIDE A SUICIDE.

Young Woman Left Nothing to Explain Why She Killed Herself.

Alfred Hoey hurried home from work last evening as he has done every night for two months, for it was just two months ago that he was married, and he couldn't reach the little flat at 442 East 184th Street quickly enough to suit him. He called to Mrs. Mary Hoey, his 20-year-old bride, as he let himself in, but for the first time there was no answer.

Hoey ran through the rooms of the flat. On the dining room table were numerous Christmas parcels tied and addressed, but Mrs. Hoey was not there or in any of the living rooms, and Hoey turned at last to her bedroom.

There he found her stretched across the bed. Between her lips was clutched a tube which ran to the chandelier. The gas was turned on. Hoey snatched the tube away, shut off the gas, raised all the windows, and ran for Dr. J. A. McSweeny, whose office is at 184th Street and Washington Avenue, but when the physician accompanied the young husband to the flat he found Mrs. Hoey dead.

Hoey was heart broken. He told the police last night that he had no idea why his wife should have killed herself, and Mrs. Hoey's mother said she, too, could think of no reason. The young wife left no note of explanation.

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REPORT GUTIERREZ HAS GIVEN UP POST

Carranza Men Spread a Story of Clash of Interests in Mexico City.

VILLA EXPECTED TO ACT

His Return to Capital Starts Rumors of Trouble with Zapata—Paul Hudson Arrested and Released.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The Carranza Agency here received a telegram tonight from an agent in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, saying that Gen. Gutierrez, the Provisional President, had left Mexico City with his troops today after having disagreed with Gens. Palafox, Zapata, and Angeles, and that a military commission, headed by Palafox and Angeles, had taken charge of affairs in the capital pending the naming of a new President in January by a Villa-Zapatista convention.

The convention mentioned had already been arranged for. It is to supplement the work of the recent convention of the Mexican factions at Aguascalientes which chose Gen. Gutierrez for Provisional President. The convention will meet on Jan. 10.

A report also reached Washington today from San Antonio saying that Gen. Gutierrez had clashed with Gen. Angeles and had left Mexico City, relinquishing the Presidency. Still another news report reached here that Gutierrez was anxious to cling to the Provisional Presidency, and would not retire on Jan. 10 if a successor were named by the convention scheduled to meet that day.

Secretary Bryan said this afternoon there were no official dispatches confirming any of these reports.

Reports of interference with Americans and other foreigners in Mexico continue to reach the State Department from its Consular Agents. The latest of these was received by the department today from Vera Cruz, stating that "the Constitutionalists have taken possession of an American plantation at Monte Blanco, near Cordoba, and that the plantation has been placed in charge of new employes." The department announced that "necessary representations have been made for the recovery of the property."

A dispatch received by the department this afternoon from its agent in Mexico City stated that Paul Hudson, the American publisher of The Mexican Herald, had been arrested yesterday "on the ground of having, during past administrations, expressed political opinions in his paper." A telegram sent to the department three hours later stated that through friendly representations to the Governor of the District, Gen. Chao, Mr. Hudson had been released.

Gen. Villa has returned to Mexico City. A dispatch to the State Department today said that Villa arrived there on Monday night, accompanied by his staff.

A report to the department from Ensenada, Lower California, stated that Col. Esteban Cantu had arrived at Ensenada and was conducting the local Government in the interest of Gen. Villa. Col. Cantu brought 350 soldiers with him. The Mexican steamer Mazatlan, en route to San Francisco, is reported in a message to the State Department to have been detained at Ensenada on a charge of having violated the Mexican port regulations.

A dispatch to the Department of State from its agent in Mexico City stated that a decree has just been promulgated by the Gutierrez Government declaring that bills issued by Carranza were of no value beyond certain numbers and those below these numbers were of no value unless they were stamped by the present administration within a period of ten days. For places outside of Mexico City a longer time is given to enable those having the lower numbered Carranza bills to have them stamped.

Señor Mendez, the Guatemalan Minister, called at the State Department today and informed Secretary Bryan that normal conditions had been restored in the north Guatemala border towns where a few days ago great alarm was felt by the inhabitants because of the military operations and presence of Villa and Zapata troops near the boundary line in the State of Chiapas.

Special to The New York Times.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 23, (via El Paso.)—Gen. Villa's arrival has aroused much interest. It was rumored that important developments were expected, but so far none has appeared. The question of Villa's relations with Gen. Manuel Palafox comes in for much discussion, as it involves the large question of the relations of the northern and southern revolutionists, Palafox being the chief representative of the Zapatistas in the capital.

So far there is nothing to indicate friction. The guard of the national palace continues to be composed of Zapatistas and soldiers of north and south meet on the streets without unpleasantness, though they do not mingle much, this, however, being due to difference of character and habit and not ill-feeling.

A rumor today had it that the convention would not assemble on Jan. 7. It was vigorously denied by those in a position to know. It is taken for granted that Gen. Gutierrez will continue in office until then, the attendants at the last convention deciding to confirm or supersede him, but all names of probable successors so far are pure guesswork.

MEXICAN REPORTED LYNCHED.

Said to Have Killed American Jailer at Oakville, Texas

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 23.—A Mexican said to have been the slayer of Harry Hinton, jailer at Oakville, Texas, was lynched near there today, according to a message received here. Many shots were fired into his body, it is said.

Another Mexican in Oakville jail charged with complicity in the Hinton killing was threatened with violence, the message said, and the jail guard was increased for his protection.

SCOTT CONFERS WITH HILL.

Maytorena Will Come to the Border Today.

Special to The New York Times.

NACO, Ariz., Dec. 23.—Deferred because of the rains and impassable roads, the long-expected meeting between Gen. Benjamin Hill of the Carancistas and Gen. Hugh L. Scott, Chief of Staff of the army, took place at noon today on the tumble-down steps of the bullet-scarred Custom House on the line.

At the conclusion of the interview Gen. Scott announced that they had discussed favorably the establishment of a neutral zone ten miles wide along the border. This belt of safety is to extend from Bisbee to Osborn, and will prevent further firing into the United States. The zone will parallel the old free trade zone along the Sonora border.

Gov. Maytorena, the besieger of the Mexican village, sent word that the Senora law prohibiting him as Governor from crossing the border without authority from the Legislature prevented his coming to Gen. Scott's tent. His agent suggested that he come as "military chief" but he did not consent. A third appointment with him has been made for tomorrow on the border four miles east of here.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Torrential rains in the Arizona basin of the Rio Grande delayed Gen. Scott's conferences with the leaders of the warring Mexican factions at Naco by suspending travel and rendering it impossible for Maytorena, the Villa leader, to keep his first appointment to meet the General. The Administration feels rather confident that Gen. Scott's semi-diplomatic mission to the border will succeed.

Gen. Tasker H. Bliss, the officer in command of the American reinforced infantry division at Naco, today sent this report to Secretary Garrison on the Naco situation:

"Cold, heavy rain. Hard on men and animals. Two mules drowned trying to reach Naco in what was dry arroyo five days ago. Travel suspended on account of floods. Impossible to get conferees together until water subsides. Intermittent firing last night and tonight. A Maytorena force threatens Agua Prieta from the south."

DENY ACTIVITY IN MEXICO.

Senator and Congressman Disclaim Share in Blanco Boom.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Denials were made tonight by those most concerned to acquit Senator Morris Sheppard and Representative John H. Garner of Texas of allegations in a newspaper dispatch from the City of Mexico which connected their names with that of Frank Rabb, United States Collector of Customs for the Laredo District of Texas, in a scheme to make Gen. Lucio Blanco, President of Mexico. It was learned, however, that the Treasury Department had ordered Rabb to appear in Washington to furnish an explanation of his activities.

According to the information of the Government, Mr. Rabb is still in Mexico. When the Treasury Department first directed him to come to Washington he replied that he had been ill and could not make the journey. When the second request for his appearance here was sent he answered that no trains were running to the United States. It was learned tonight that no definite steps to obtain an explanation from Collector Rabb of his long stay in Mexico were likely until the return to Washington of Secretary McAdoo, who will leave here on Saturday for California.

Senator Sheppard said tonight that Mr. Rabb had asked for leave of absence in order that he could attend the Aguascalientes convention of the Mexican factions, called to settle the differences between the Carranza and Villa wings. This convention chose Gen. Gutierrez Provisional President, and the armed forces nominally under his command are now at war with the Carrancistas. Rabb obtained two periods of leave, amounting to ninety days, and recently applied, through Senator Sheppard for another extension of thirty days. This extension was not granted.

Representative Garner made a statement this evening that he was not only not a partner of Collector Rabb in any plot to fix up the politics of Mexico, but he was a personal and political enemy and had been trying to convince President Wilson and Secretary McAdoo that Rabb ought to be removed from office. Senator Sheppard also denied all connection with any scheme of Rabb.

Among those mentioned as supporting the Blanco boom, in addition to Senator Sheppard and Representative Garner, were Edward Brodix of San Antonio, George Breckinridge of San Antonio, and John H. Kirby of Houston. Gen. Blanco, Rabb, and M. J. Slattery, editor of The Brownsville (Texas) Herald, according to the story, were quartered in one of the palaces in Mexico City until Blanco suddenly disappeared. Later Rabb and Slattery, it was said, returned to Brownsville.

It was asserted in official circles tonight that Rabb was well acquainted with many of the quarreling leaders, and that he could harmonize them. Gen. Blanco was head of one of the armies that captured Matamoras, and it was said he became well acquainted with the Brownsville Collector across the river.

Last Summer Representative Garner introduced a resolution charging Rabb with activity against Garner for renomination and called on the Treasury Department to forward all papers touching an investigation of the Laredo Collector. Recently Mr. Garner renewed the charge. He again introduced his resolution and called for a statement as to the number of days Rabb had been away from his post.

Senator Sheppard said tonight:

"Rabb went to Mexico City, so far as I know, upon his own initiative, and not by authority of any one connected with this Government or any other person, so far as I know. I have called on Rabb for a statement concerning his activities in Mexico, and since it was I who obtained his leaves of absence I reserve action as to him until he is heard from."

SHOPLIFTERS SHOW CRAFTY NEW TRICKS

Two Hide Plunder in Long Skirts of Babies, Another Carries Wrapped Boxes.

GIRL DETECTIVES BEATEN

Woman Claiming Royal German Ancestry Held for Court as a Store Thief.

Three women were arrested for shoplifting yesterday. One said she was related to the German royal family, the second disclosed what store detectives said were new methods of thieving, and the third, single-handed, whipped three young women detectives.

Detective Tait of the West Thirtieth Street Police Station saw the three young women accost an older woman at the Thirty-second Street entrance to Gimbel's early last evening and then saw the elder woman strike out with her fists. Each of the three in turn was tumbled to the sidewalk by the time Tait had hurried up and grabbed the victor.

When the detectives had identified themselves as Miss Amelia De Santis, and the Misses Johnson and Kopel, Tait arrested the other woman, who said she was Mrs. Mary Cleary of 147 St. Mark's Avenue, Brooklyn.

Miss De Santis said she had seen Mrs. Cleary take a muff from the fur department worth $125 and $50 worth of silk in another department. Then she called for help and followed her to the street, where she tried to arrest her.

A handsome woman, who said she was Mrs. Eloise Loring-Hofen and was related to the German royal family, was arrested as a shoplifter in Macy's last night and later was held for Grand Jury action in the Night Court. She was accused of taking goods worth $5.97.

Except for her name and address, 108 West 128th Street, and the mention of her relation to royalty, she refused to talk about herself. At her lodging house it was said she had lived there a month with a cockatoo and a Pomeranian, and that letters came addressed to her as Mrs. Elsa von Freitag.

The landlady said she understood she was a Baroness and that her husband, who was her third, was fighting in the German Army. She knew no more about her except that she was prominent as an artists' model.

USE BABIES TO HIDE THEFTS

Shoplifters Said to Have Put Loot Under Infants' Clothes.

Two new methods of shoplifting were discovered yesterday by private detectives and the police when one woman was arrested in a Fulton Street, Brooklyn, department store, with three pasteboard boxes under her arm containing more than 200 articles, and three women were caught in a store in Asburton Avenue, Yonkers, charged with concealing stolen goods in the long dresses of infants they carried.

When Mrs. Julia Boga, 36 years old, who said she was the wife of a florist of Inwood, was arrested in the Brooklyn store, she had $203 worth of goods, ranging from hairpins to sweaters and opera glasses. Her pasteboard boxes had slits in them through which stolen articles were slipped. She was locked up in the Adams Street Police Station.

The women arrested in Yonkers said they were Mrs. Jennie Guliar of 258 New Main Street, Mrs. Nellie Massanonem of 238 New Main Street, and Miss Annie Guliar of 166 Waverly Street.

AID OF BAFF'S FOES BARES THEIR PLOTS

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to ask for advice, and the lawyer advised him that the District Attorney was his best friend.

Alfred J. Gilchrist, attorney for the three Cohen brothers, said his experience with the Baff case had convinced him of the necessity for a change in the criminal law that would permit an indicted man to see the minutes of the Grand Jury that indicted him. When he began his term of office as State Senator at the next session of the Legislature, he said, he would introduce a bill to effect this change in the law.

The Grand Jury will meet this morning and probably sit all day. When it adjourns this afternoon it is expected not to meet again before next Monday.

ROSEN INDICTED FOR MURDER.

Fellow-Gangsters Turn on 'Pinchy' Paul's Alleged Slayer.

Joseph Rosen, alias "Joe the Greaser," an east side gangman, was indicted yesterday for murder in the first degree for the killing of "Pinchy" Paul, a gang rival, in May. Rosen was arrested with three others on Friday as a result of the confession of "Benny" Snyder, who was charged with the murder. Snyder asserted that Rosen instigated the killing because he was jealous of "Pinchy."

"Tough Jake" Heiseman and "Little Hymie" Bernstein, former gang associates of Rosen's, and Tom Rollich, Rosen's girl, are held as witnesses in the House of Detention. Bernstein also has turned against Rosen and Heiseman has given some valuable corroboration of Snyder's story.

Rosen will be arraigned this morning before Judge Malone in General Sessions.

ASSAILS WOODS'S REGIME.

Mass Meeting Plans Means of Ending the Gang Evil.

The Great Hall of Cooper Union was crowded last night with persons called to protest against the operations of gunmen and gangmen. The meeting was under the auspices of the recently organized Citizens' Protective League. Leon Sanders, the Chairman, introduced ex-Assistant District Attorney Frank Moss.

Mr. Moss called the gangsters "little skunks," and said he wanted particularly to "get the men who hire them, the citizens who are afraid to denounce them, the politicians who use them, and the lawyers who get them out of trouble." Whereas the management of the policemen formerly was in the hands of a Chief who had had police experience, he said, it now was in the hands of a civilian Commissioner under whom all of the experienced policemen were merely clerks.

Bainbridge Colby said that there were twenty-five murders a year in London, against 480 in New York City. He blamed the excess here on "our system of apprehension and punishment."

A man in the audience shouted, "Are there any Cleary verdicts in London?" and Judge Louis D. Gibbs of the Bronx took the question as his text. He said he thought the questioner had suggested "the primary reason for the increase in crime," and that the fault lay largely with "a spirit of lawlessness in juries."

"Let the police know that the citizens are behind them," he said. "Let them know that they will be believed by citizen jurors when they testify, and they will clean the city of gansters within a year."

Ex-Police Inspector Robert E. Dooley, who retired two months ago after twenty-nine years of service, said there were 728 rules in the Police Department to account for the 480 murders.

"If the Commissioner will take away these rules," he said, "and say to the policemen, 'Enforce the law,' the gangsters will be driven out of town in two weeks."

His chief complaint was against "General Order No. 7," framed to prevent police clubbing, and the regulation forbidding policemen to go into saloons, poolrooms, and disorderly resorts to get evidence. The "back rooms" of saloons and the cheap poolrooms, he said, were breeding places for gangsters

Resolutions were adopted demanding "that an immediate and adequate effort be made to secure greater activity and efficiency of police management," and authorizing the Chairman to appoint a committee of five to "plan legislation and action by the Legislature and Governor to rouse the city from its present perilous and humiliating condition." Regarding the Baff murder the resolutions said:

> Coming as it does as one of a long series of gang crimes and unpunished murders that have humiliated and terrified citizens generally, it indicates a growing boldness of gangs and gunmen, and the plain incapacity of the administration of Police Commissioner Woods, presenting a condition of police inefficiency that deserves the immediate attention of the Mayor and the Governor of the State.

Among those at the meeting were Mrs. Baff, widow of the murdered poultryman; her oldest daughter, and her son, Harry.

MRS. H. P. WHITNEY RETURNS

Tells of Americans' War Hospital Work in France.

Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney returned yesterday on the Cunarder Lusitania, the liner on which she sailed from New York for Liverpool on Nov. 4, with doctors and nurses to establish a field hospital near Paris in connection with the American Ambulance Hospital, of which Dr. Joseph A. Blake and Dr. De Bauchet are in charge. The equipment for the field hospital taken over by Mrs. Whitney, included ten motor ambulances, medical supplies, and enough clothing for 5,000 men, women, and children.

When asked regarding the work being carried on at the hospital, Mrs. Whitney said that there was very little to tell. The nursing of the wounded was being done in the American Ambulance Hospital in Paris very successfully and the field hospitals had been of great assistance. She had spent part of each day herself in the hospital seeing that the wounded soldiers had everything needed for their comfort.

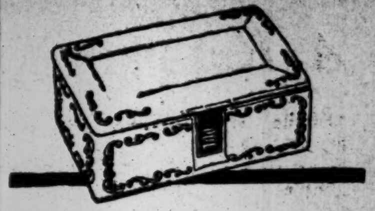
"I have come home for the Christmas holidays," Mrs. Whitney said, "and expect to return after the New Year."

Her sister-in-law, Mrs. Willard D. Straight, was also on board. Another passenger was Mrs. Walter Hines Page, wife of the United States Ambassador in London, who was met at Quarantine by her two sons.

Dr. Richard Derby returned on the Lusitania with his wife, who was Miss Ethel Roosevelt, after working for two months in the American Ambulance Hospital in Paris

"The beds in the American hospital," he said, "have been increased to 500, and they have been kept filled. The credit for the successful working of the American Ambulance Hospital is due chiefly to Dr. Blake and Dr. Bouchet. I have come away from France impressed with the bravery and enthusiasm of the French soldiers, and with the organization of the army medical corps in caring for the wounded on the battlefield."

Dr. Derby said that he had come home to spend the holidays, and might return to Paris in January. Seasickness kept Mrs. Derby in her cabin all the voyage.



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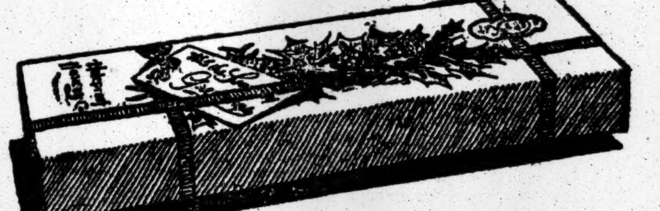

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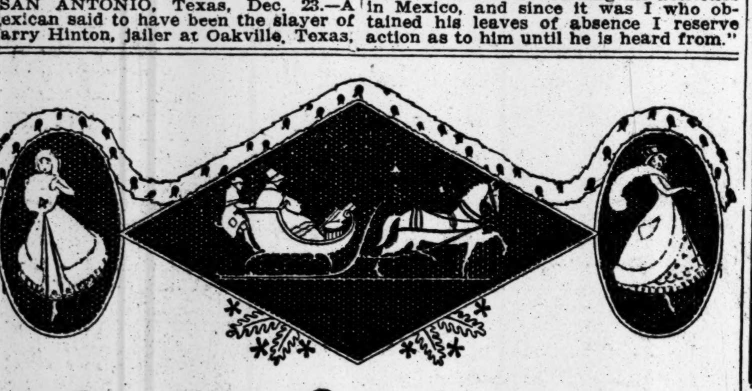

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Support Promised to Girl Who Lost Her Parents Through a Tragedy.

During the last two days there has been an increase in gifts to the 100 neediest whose cases were published in THE TIMES. The volume of money received has not largely increased, but there has been a greater number of individual responses. Many letters, each bringing a small amount of cash, have been received by the three charity organizations administering the fund. W. Frank Persons, Director of the Charity Organization Society, reported yesterday that in the last two days there has been more contributors than in any other two days.

"The contributions," he said, "have as a rule been small, but the way they are coming in shows how the sympathies of the public have been stirred by the distress. Over forty persons contributed today, giving nearly $300, and bringing the total to $4,096. The needs of the 100 cases, like the hundreds of others in our care, are not for Christmas only, but continue on through the year. It has been most gratifying to see how those who have given have recognized this. In several instances people have promised to be regular monthly contributors."

Here is a letter which shows how a little can be made to go a long way:

> Inclosed find my check for eighty cents, to be disbursed to following cases as specified in THE NEW YORK TIMES (Dec. 13:)
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> | Case 3 | .10 |
> | Case 4 | .10 |
> | Case 8 | .10 |
> | Case 13 | .10 |
> | Case 18 | .10 |
> | Case 19 | .10 |
> | Case 31 | .10 |
> | Case 24 | .10 |
> | | .80 |
>
> I am also sending a few pieces of clothing. Should any of the above cases be fully taken care of by contributions of clothing and money, then distribute to any other needy cases.

Help for Mother of Three.

An envelope containing two gold pieces, one $10 and one $5, were left at the office of the Charity Organization. A brief note said that the money was to be sent to assist Mrs. N—, whose case is No. 40. Mrs. N—— is a delicate woman who has been making $2 a week as an embroidery maker and endeavoring to feed her three fatherless children. She needs $25 a month to keep hunger and sickness from her home.

This letter brought a widow's mite:

> In looking over last Sunday's TIMES I took notice of some very needy cases in want. Inclosed herewith I send you $2—$1 for Case 1, Mrs. H., and $1 for Case 3, the L. family. I only wish I could send more, but every little helps. A WIDOW.

Liberal responses have been made to the appeals for the needy wards of the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor and the State Charities Aid Association. The former has received $2,668.40 and the latter nearly $5,000.

Some of the friends of the State Charities Aid Association have combined to efface as far as possible from the mind of 14-year-old Isabel Judson the tragedy that darkened her young life and left her a nervous and physical wreck. Isabel's case is No. 81. The child was in the room when her father in a fit of jealous rage shot her mother and then killed himself. From the shock of her parents' death Isabel has never recovered. The little girl's board will be paid until July and in addition she has been fitted out with substantial, warm clothing. Best of all, Isabel thinks, she has been invited out to dine on Christmas.

"I wish," said Miss Mary Clark of the State Charities Aid Association, "that something could be done to arouse interest in the appeal No. 49. This family is in urgent need. This is the case:

> It is just a year since Mrs. Strunsky's baby was born, and at that time the prospects for herself and her husband and the little Christmas child seemed everything that was bright. The young Ruthenian couple had come two years before from the mountains of Austria, and the man, a machinist, had found excellent employment in New York. But since the birth of the baby the husband has been stricken with paralysis and is now an inmate, incurable, of the City Home. Through the Summer the young wife was able to earn a pittance for herself and her baby. If the young husband could be taught work that he could do with his hands alone, he would be able to help in the support of his family; money for a teacher for a short time would lift Mrs. Strunsky and her baby from the fear of destitution.

Provide for Mrs. Jensen.

Mrs. Jensen is to keep little Gustave, the foundling she adopted in the days of her affluence. Since the death of her husband this foster mother has been working, hoping to keep the child. Friends have decreed that the boy shall not be sent to an institution, but shall remain in the only home he has ever known. A thrifty housewife sent this letter with a little help to Mrs. Jensen:

"Inclosed is a very small check, the savings from a month's household budget. It may give at least one week's help to Mrs. J., Case 44. I am glad that so small an amount can be put to such a definite use. If after the first of February Mrs. Jensen still needs help, perhaps I shall have saved another small amount that I can then send to her."

The giving to Case 88 has been generally overlooked. This is the appeal:

> When Mrs. C's husband was found to be incurably ill with heart disease, she was fortunate in being able to get four of her five little children in institutions. Her husband is in a hospital, which he will never be able to leave; three of the children are together in one home, in the care of the State Charities' Aid Association, the fourth is in another institution. The baby is with his mother, and she has succeeded in finding work. But her meagre earnings can only pay for rent and food for herself and her baby. Neither she nor the child has any warm clothing. They can probably manage to keep from starving through the Winter. But clothing they must have.

There is still time to brighten Christmas for some less fortunate. Contributions may be sent to The Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second Street, New York; The Charity Organization Society, 105 East Twenty-second Street, and The State Charities Aid Association, 289 Fourth Avenue.

The following contributions have been received by THE NEW YORK TIMES for the 100 neediest cases:

Gifts Through The Times.

From the Hitchcock Memorial Church, Hartsdale, N. Y.	$29
Jimmy's Bank, for Cases 12 and 90	15
Cash	1
Clara S. Dommerich	10
Mrs. Stuart J. Lebach	5
J. S. Newgarden	1
I. B. Tucker	1
XX, for Case 58	1
J. B. A., for Case 68	5
B. Aynar Sands, for Case 76	10
W. W.	25
H. P. G. and E. D. G.	15
Col. John V. White	10
E. L., for Case 17	1
For the family of Joseph Indelicato, a toymaker, who shot himself when Inspectors told him he could not sell his wares:	
R. S. Cone	$3
A. W. W.	5
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J. B. A.	$2
H. P. G. and E. D. G.	10

Two States Jobs for Dean Street.

State Controller-elect Eugene M. Travis announced the appointment yesterday of Wendell Cleland of 1,159 Dean Street, Brooklyn, as his private secretary. Llewellyn A. Wray of 1,141 Dean Street, Brooklyn, will be appointed first assistant counsel to the Controller in the New York office, at $6,000.

CALLED 'LYNCH LAW VEILED'

Judge Sulzberger of Philadelphia on the Trial of Frank.

Special to The New York Times.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—"Lynch law veiled" was the characterization applied today by Judge Mayer Sulzberger to the trial of Leo Frank.

"At a certain point in the trial," said Judge Sulzberger, "the presiding Judge called upon the Colonel of Militia and the Chief of Police for protection against apprehended violence to Frank and his counsel. The Chief of Police sat alongside the Judge on the bench. I cannot avoid the conclusion that from the moment the military and police authorities intervened in the court the court was automatically adjourned. The verdict, moreover, was received by a man who was not in court, and the verdict was rendered by a jury that was no longer a constituent part of the court. I conclude from these facts that the proceeding was lynch law veiled."

Plans for the circulation of petitions in this city to be sent to Gov. Slater of Georgia, requesting that the sentence of Frank be commuted, were made yesterday at a meeting held at the home of Benjamin Golder, an attorney. Committees are being formed in every ward and cash subscriptions are being taken up to defray the expense of circulating the petitions. A committee will be sent from this city to Georgia to present petitions to the Governor. Plans have been made for a mass meeting in the Academy of Music. Sectional meetings are also planned.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—While it is understood that counsel for Leo M. Frank are on their way to Washington to ask the Supreme Court for leave to petition for a writ of habeas corpus, none of them had arrived here at a late hour tonight. It is expected that the first application regarding the habeas corpus will be made to Justice Lamar in chambers, as was done in regard to the writ of error that was denied, but so far Justice Lamar has heard nothing to indicate that he would be petitioned. The Supreme Court is in recess for the holidays.

HURT IN UPSET TROLLEY CAR

Seven Persons Injured on the Manhattan Bridge Line.

A heavy vestibuled trolley car of the Manhattan Bridge Three-Cent Line left the rails on the curve at High and Jay Streets, Brooklyn, yesterday, plowed along for twenty-five feet to a pile of earth, ran upon the low bank, and then upset.

Twenty passengers, including half a dozen women, were thrown violently against the stanchions or seats. Many of the windows were smashed and most of the passengers scrambled out through them. The others were helped out by men who hurried to the scene. Although he stuck to his post, the motorman, Frederick Kiernan, of 141 Rockaway Avenue, escaped injury.

Seven persons were injured and these four were taken to the Brooklyn Hospital: Marie Stebomo of 323 Atlantic Avenue, contusions of the scalp and shoulder, with possible internal injuries; Salvatore Ivono and Mrs. V. Ivono, both of 242 Elizabeth Street, Manhattan, bruises on head, and Frank Dejele of 78 Mulberry Street, Manhattan, fracture of shoulder.

Others who were attended by ambulance surgeons were Walter Wiggins of 327 East Twenty-fourth Street, Manhattan, right shoulder sprained; Frederick Zeitz of 114 Prospect Park West, Brooklyn, lacerations, and Ida Katz of 65 Forsyth Street, Manhattan, lacerations.

GET MR. AND MRS. GRIFFIN.

Couple Caught Who Forfeited $30,000 Bail in Mail Case.

Word was received here late last night of the arrest in Colorado Springs of Francis H. Griffin and his wife, who forfeited $15,000 bail each here on Nov. 30, when they were called to trial before United States District Judge Grubb in a $300,000 mail swindle. Detectives had been looking for them since.

The couple were arrested in Groton, Mass., on last May 8 by Post Office Inspectors. It is charged that they swindled only their friends, persuading them to advance money to finance a huge stenographic contract with the Government which the Griffins were supposed to have got, but which would require the outlay of a large sum of money before a really handsome profit could be realized.

Griffin was a lawyer at 55 Liberty Street and was a member of the Republican and Lawyers' Clubs. His wife was well known in Christian Science circles. They lived quietly but always in good neighborhoods, one residing in Park Avenue and later having quarters in the Great Northern and Manhattan Hotels.

CARMODY WARNS THAW'S LAWYERS

Any Defiance of Supreme Court's Order Will Be Criminal Conspiracy, He Says.

VIEW AS ATTORNEY GENERAL

Covered in Retired Official's Report—Thaw Awaits Mother and Ex-Gov. Stone at Manchester, N. H.

Thomas Carmody, who retired from office as Attorney General of the State on Sept. 1 last, will discuss the Thaw case in the annual report of the Attorney General, to be submitted to the Legislature next month. During the four years of his administration Mr. Carmody resisted all efforts made to obtain the release of Thaw. He all along contended that the efforts made by Thaw's attorneys to prevent New York State from having the slayer of Stanford White returned here were illegal.

Mr. Carmody in his report to the Legislature will say in part:

> There can be no longer any legal resistance to the demands of the State of New York for the return of Thaw to its custody. The United States Supreme Court has decided that there is no question involved in the extradition of Thaw that can be referred for determination to the courts. Any further attempt of Thaw to defeat justice in this case or to resist the demands of the State of New York is a defiance to the decision of the United States Supreme Court.
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> There is a point in legal matters beyond which lawyers cannot safely go. That point has been reached in Thaw's case. There is such a thing as lawyers being guilty of criminal conspiracy to defeat justice. That point will be passed should any further attempts be made to defy the plain mandate of the law as interpreted by the United States Supreme Court. It will be the duty of the State of New York to see that any conspiracy to defeat justice by defying this decision of the Supreme Court shall be treated as it deserves, as a criminal conspiracy against law and government, and that all parties involved in it, whether lawyers or laymen, shall be brought to the bar of justice to answer for such unjustifiable conduct.

Special to The New York Times.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 23.—The situation in the Thaw case in this city seems to be practically one of "watchful waiting" at present. Gov. Stone of Pennsylvania is expected hourly to arrive here with Thaw's mother, Mrs. William Thaw, to consult with his client in regard to the latest developments.

There is strong public sentiment in Thaw's favor here. Thaw has been identified with many acts of charity since his arrival here, and for this reason, if for no other, he has endeared himself to many of the people. He was planning to give a monster Christmas tree to the poor children of this city. When asked today about the matter he answered that the developments in his case had upset his plans in this direction, but that he was working out a plan whereby the children would not have to suffer on account of the change in the original plans.

All day the residence of Harry Thaw in the fashionable northern part of this city was besieged by newspaper men from all over the country. Thaw would not, however see any one to give an interview, and announced that he had nothing more to add at this time to the statement of yesterday.

Throughout the day Mr. Rice, Thaw's private secretary, was busy answering telephone calls and telegrams. These have poured into the Thaw residence in a stream ever since the United States Supreme Court decision last Monday. Thaw and his secretary do not want to say anything at this time without the advice of counsel.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Sheriff William J. Doyle, who was keeper of Harry K. Thaw on several occasions when Thaw was brought here from Matteawan in habeas corpus proceedings, received today a box of fine cigars as a Christmas gift from Thaw. Inside the box was a card, on which was inscribed:

"The bonds of friendship are the best securities I own. A Merry Christmas to a friend of mine. From H. K. T."

YUAN AS 'SON OF HEAVEN.'

Chinese President Conducts Re-established State Worship.

PEKING, Dec. 23.—President Yuan Shih-kai at sunrise today appeared before the Altar of Heaven in the Chinese City and revived the worship of heaven at the Winter solstice, an observance neglected since the passing of the Manchu dynasty in 1911. In this the President of the republic took upon himself a function and rite which in the past always has been reserved to the Emperor of China in his capacity of "Son of Heaven."

The President today worshipped at the famous circular altar, the most important of all Chinese religious structures. It is located in a sacred park, three miles from the palace of the Emperors, and is surrounded by sacred buildings. This altar formerly was regarded in China as the centre of the universe.

Yuan Shih-kai submitted a bill to the Chinese Administrative Council in January of this year prescribing the worship of Heaven and of Confucius by the President of China, and the measure was passed by the Council. This act was regarded as tantamount to establishing a State religion in China. During the deliberations of the council it was set forth that the President of the Republic should worship at the Temple of Confucius and at the Temple of Heaven annually, as had been the custom of the Chinese Emperor.

Yesterday's function appears to have been a carrying-out of the purposes then set forth. The President was instructed, on these religious occasions, to wear the robes of the High Dukes designed during the Chow dynasty in the year 1122 B. C. It was taken for granted that all the oldtime rites would henceforth be re-established, with Confucianism as the State religion.

LAMA'S PALACE BURNED.

Priceless Treasures Lost in Destruction of Building at Urga.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—A dispatch received here from Urga, Mongolia, states that the palace of the Ku-tuk-tu, the Deified Lama of the Mongols, with all its priceless treasures, has been entirely gutted by fire.

The loss is said to be enormous.

The temple palace of the Ku-tuk-tu, or Hu-tuk-tu—the living Buddha, the spiritual and temporal sovereign of Mongolia—was a low structure, built of wood, with stone ornamentation. It was situated in the Kurinor native city as distinct from the Chinese and Russian cities.

Tradition said that fabulous treasures were housed there—the offerings through centuries from devotees, consisting of wrought gold and silver vessels inlaid with precious stones and a quantity of valuable cloths of silk and wool.

Travelers declare that the priests who are supposed to guard the treasure have put it in circulation. It is known, however, that the present Ku-tuk-tu beggared himself in making a propitiatory offering in recognition of his restored eyesight, and that this gift still exists. It is a Buddha 100 feet high, made of brass from Dolonor, and lavishly adorned with precious stones.

It was at Urga that the Russian plenipotentiary, M. Korostovetz, and the Ku-tuk-tu signed the Russo-Mongolian treaty in 1912 which placed Outer Mongolia under Russian management.

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BAGDAD FLOOD DISASTER.

Sufferers Number 12,000—Morgenthau Sends Appeal for Aid.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—An appeal for aid for 12,000 residents of the historic City of Bagdad was received by the State Department today from Ambassador Morgenthau at Constantinople.

The sufferers are without homes and an adequate supply of food. Their plight was caused by the overflow of the Djile, a tributary of the Tigris, on which river Bagdad is situated. The Ambassador's dispatch reads:

"Receiving request from Bagdad for assistance. The overflow of the Djile has made 12,000 residents of Bagdad homeless and foodless. Assistance insufficient. Kindly communicate with American Jewish Committee and Red Cross."

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JEROME IS ACCUSED IN PERJURY TRIAL

Edith St. Clair's Lawyer Attacks Erlanger's Counsel In Opening Defense.

ACTRESS TESTIFIES TODAY

Frankenthaler Says She Was Instructed to Make False Affidavit Against Steuer.

Alfred Frankenthaler, of counsel for Edith St. Clair, the actress, promised in his opening speech before Justice Davis in the Criminal Term of the Supreme Court yesterday an amazing story when Miss St. Clair takes the stand today to testify in defense of the perjury charge against her. Her indictment followed her testimony at a civil suit against Abraham Erlanger and subsequent affidavits which she is alleged to have made repudiating her first assertions.

"We will prove," Mr. Frankenthaler said, "that every element of the crime of perjury is absent from the accusation made against Miss St. Clair. We will prove that she was kept locked in Jerome's office the day she signed the affidavits. We will prove that she consented to sign the affidavit, when told by Jerome that he would not use them for judicial purposes, but wanted to retain them for his own use. We will prove that Jerome's statements on the stand were—I won't say false, but grossly inaccurate. We will prove that this proceeding was instituted against Miss St. Clair when she did not carry out to the limit the conspiracy that Erlanger and Jerome had plotted against Steuer."

Mr. Frankenthaler asserted that Miss St. Clair was largely influenced to sign the affidavits by a promise that she would receive $25,000 from Erlanger, besides a re-engagement. The $25,000 would cover the amount of the judgment which Miss St. Clair got and the payment of which was held up by an appeal.

After Miss St. Clair had obtained a judgment for $22,500 against Erlanger, Mr. Frankenthaler said, but before she collected it, she came here looking for work. She went to the office of a Mr. Meyers, from there was referred to a man named Keeley, and then to a booking agent named Casey, an intimate friend of Jerome, Mr. Frankenthaler said.

"Keeley," Frankenthaler said, "went to Miss St. Clair when proceedings against Steuer before the Bar Association were pending and told her that she would be put back to work if she refused to heed Steuer's request to testify in his behalf. After the hearing Miss St. Clair reported that she had not testified in Steuer's favor. The next day Keeley told Miss St. Clair that she would soon go back to work. He told her that she would be re-billed as Edith Dupree and that rehearsals for the new play would begin immediately. He told her that Erlanger would even furnish the costumes, and, gentlemen, whom do you think he told her to see about her costumes? Fischel, a lawyer.

"Miss St. Clair went to Fischel and he sent her to Jerome. Jerome didn't discuss costumes. He told her: 'You've got to help us land Steuer.' I am going to show that Miss St. Clair was driven to sign those affidavits while in an almost hysterical condition. Although they did not force her to sign at the point of a gun, they might as well have done so.

"We will prove payment of the amount of her judgment against Erlanger, $25,000, was offered to Miss St. Clair if she would testify as Jerome would have her testify in the proceedings. They offered her not only the money justly due her, but work and full payment of legal fees. Miss St. Clair is the victim of foul conspiracy. She seeks vindication and in obtaining it we will open the doors to all and we hope the District Attorney will assist us. We only hope that she will have sufficient strength to go on the stand and tell her whole story."

Max D. Steuer concluded his testimony at yesterday's morning session of the trial. He said that William and Moses Grossman, William Travers Jerome, and Fischel testified before the Bar Association in regard to the charges filed against him.

"Have you any hostile feeling against Miss St. Clair?" Mr. Slade asked him on cross-examination.

"No."

"Would you like to see her convicted?"

"If she is guilty, I would; if she is innocent, I would like to see her acquitted."

Miss St. Clair will take the stand at 10:30 o'clock this morning when the trial is resumed.

REMEMBERED OLD SERVANT.

Gen. J. C. Jackson's Widow Provided for Woman's Support.

The will of Mrs. Katharine P. D. Jackson, widow of Gen. Joseph Cooke Jackson, which was filed yesterday, contained a request that the legatees maintain for life Margaret McLaughlin, an aged servant.

There are bequests of $5,000 each to the grandchildren, Joseph H., Richard S., John H., and Henry W. Jackson, Percy H. Goodsell, Jr.; Rose Herrick Jackson, Martin S. H. and Schuyler W. Jackson Watts. The testator's children are asked to bequeath $5,000 each to grandchildren yet unborn. There are bequests of $250 each to Mabel B. and Rose Herrick Jackson and like amounts to Percy H. Goodsell and Martin S. Watts. To the husband, now deceased, was left $30,000.

The four children, Katharine Seymour Jackson Goodsell, Elizabeth Huntington Wolcott Jackson Watts, Joseph Cooke Jackson, Jr., and John Day Jackson, are the residuary legatees.

HARDEN WILL ACCOUNTING.

Must Be Filed Before Surrogate Will Instruct Executors.

Surrogate Fowler decided yesterday that the executors of the estate of James Harden, chief owner of the Acheson Harden Company, handkerchiefs, at the time of his death on April 6, are not entitled to have a ruling at this time on the distribution of the residuary estate amounting to $927,360. The executors must file their accounting before this point may be passed upon, according to the Surrogate.

The bulk of the estate consisted of 5 796 shares of the capital stock of the Acheson Harden Company, quoted at $160 a share, and of a par value of $100. This stock made up practically all of the residuary estate which the will directed should be distributed in seven equal shares to the widow and the six children. After a bequest of $70,000 to the widow was paid and certain minor legacies distributed the executors became uncertain about technical details and brought the case to the Surrogate for instructions.

HACKETT GETS $1,000,000.

Actor in Possession of His Niece's Estate by Surrogate's Order.

The final legal paper was signed yesterday enabling James K. Hackett, the actor, to take possession of about $1,000,000, the residuary estate of his niece, Minnie Hackett Trowbridge, who died on March 8. Surrogate Fowler ordered the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company as executor to distribute the estate.

Under the will Mr. Hackett gets everything except $233,000 in bequests. Among them were $100,000 to Syracuse University, $40,000 to the Presbyterian Hospital, and $60,000 in trust for the benefit of Mrs. Jennie Clancy, wife of the former Warden of Sing Sing Prison.

FOUND WITH MARKED MONEY

Witness Says Detective Damico Put It In His Pocket.

When the trial of Agidia Damico, a detective assigned to Inspector Wakefield's staff, for attempted extortion began yesterday before Judge Wadhams in General Sessions, Assistant District Attorney Ellison announced that Libario Gambardella, who was arrested with Damico, would be a witness against him. They are charged with attempting to extort $25 from Dominick Muccio, a café owner at 201 Grand Street, when Damico served a warrant charging Muccio with a violation of the excise law.

Gambardella testified that on Nov. 11, when he happened to be in Muccio's restaurant, Damico came in and went with Muccio into a back room. Then he came out and stood close to Gambardella. Other detectives then entered and arrested Damico and Gambardella. Marked money was fund in Gambardella's pocket. He said that he did not know that the money was in his pocket until after his arrest, when Damico told him of it. He said that Damico had put it there. On cross-examination Eugene L. Parodi of 261 Broadway questioned Gambardella about his acquaintance with several criminals. Four of these men, it was learned, have been brought here from Sing Sing on writs of habeas corpus by Mr. Parodi to discredit Gambardella. They are Peter Romaglio, "Peter the Burglar," who is serving from two years and four months to four years and four months; Frank Parisi and Ralph Debiasi, who are serving ten years each for robbery, and Charles Rossi, who is serving from three and a half to seven years for possessing a revolver.

Mr. Parodi, in outlining the defense, said that Damico was the victim, and that Gambardella was the real culprit. Testimony for the defense will begin this morning.

City Gets Expert on Borings.

To select, classify, and preserve borings taken from the sites of buildings in all parts of the city, and to prepare geologic maps of the city, the Board of Estimate yesterday appointed Charles P. Berkey as an expert at $25 a day, with a limitation of his payments for the year to $2,500. Chief Engineer Nelson said such a collection of borings would save the city thousands of dollars whenever it had to enter upon any new underground work, such as a subway or sewer building. Mr. Berkey is Associate Professor of Geology at Columbia University, and has held a place in the Board of Water Supply.

AGED WIDOW SUES JOHN HARDY ESTATE

Demands $39,269 Under Separation Agreement Made with Husband in 1874.

WILL GIVES FORTUNE TO BOY

Mrs. Hardy, Who Is 76, Asks Trust Fund to Pay Her $25 a Week While She Lives.

Mary F. Hardy, widow of John Hardy, lawyer and politician, who died in the Red Cross Hospital last December, sued his estate yesterday in the Supreme Court for $39,269.25 under a separation agreement made in June, 1874.

A glimpse of the skeleton in the Hardy closet was given in July last when the Surrogate was asked to compel the Hardy executors to pay Mrs. John Hardy Bascom $500 a month from the income of a trust fund of $200,000 which Mr. Hardy left to his grand-nephew, John Hardy Bascom, Jr., 16 years old, who is her son. Mrs. Bascom said the executors gave her only $10 a week, and that she lived in a tenement with her son, in sharp contract to the luxury they were used to while Mr. Hardy was alive.

Mrs. Hardy, in her complaint, said she was married on Jan. 5, 1865, and lived happily until December, 1878, when "disputes and differences" arose. Believing they could never be happy together, they signed an agreement by which Mr. Hardy promised to pay her $25 a week as long as she lived, and she agreed never to molest or annoy him.

Mrs. Hardy said her husband paid the stipulated amount regularly until June 1, 1876, and gave her various sums after that which brought the sum due to the amount for which she sues.

Mrs. Hardy says her husband's estate is ample to pay her, and she asks that enough be put in trust to guarantee her the $25 a week due under the agreement until she dies. She gives her age as 76 years. She says the estate is large, because under the agreement her husband was bound to dispose of no realty without her consent, and she has never given such consent.

Besides leaving the $200,000 trust to his grand-nephew, Mr. Hardy distributed $24,000 and a piece of Nyack realty among friends and relatives, but the will made no mention of his wife. The father of his grand-nephew, John Hardy Bascom, received a $10,000 bequest under the will, but it is still in the hands of the executors. Mr. Bassom left home several years ago and has not since been heard from. The suit brought by the boy's mother is still pending.

Mr. Hardy was private secretary to Smith Ely during his term as Mayor, and served two terms as Representative in Congress and several terms as Alderman. The executors of the estate are Douglas Mathewson, President of the Bronx, and James P. Dymock.

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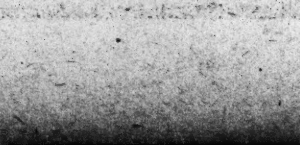

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YANKEES NOT YET IN RUPPERT'S HANDS

Several Knotty Complications Have Prevented Consummation of Sale.

"If any one is seriously considering buying the Yankees," said President Frank J. Farrell of the Yankees yesterday, "they had better come and see me. I haven't seen any money yet."

"The Yankees have not been purchased by me or Capt. T. L. Huston," said Col. Jacob Ruppert, Jr., yesterday, "although if certain complications are adjusted we may purchase the franchise within the next few days."

"The deal has not been completed," stated Capt. Huston yesterday. "There are certain obligations due the New York Club and some others which the Yankees are responsible for which must be adjusted before any purchase is made."

"The American League has adjusted all the kinks which stood in the way of the purchasers of the Yankees, and I expect that the sale of the team by Frank Farrell and W. S. Devery to Col. Ruppert and Capt. Huston will be settled tomorrow," said President Ban Johnson of the American League in Chicago on Tuesday.

That, in substance, is where the sale of the New York Americans stands. For a deal which involves half a million dollars, it seems strange that the owner of the club, Mr. Farrell, knows so little about it. He stated yesterday that he had received no word whatever from President Johnson about the negotiations. In fact, Mr. Farrell states, he has been kept in the dark about the proceedings from the first. The only thing that he knows about the proposed transaction, he says, is what he has seen in the newspapers.

It seems that at the conference between the prospective purchasers and President Johnson at French Lick and at Chicago every angle of the situation was discussed, but no conclusion was reached. President Johnson, it is understood, represents Mr. Farrell and has the power of attorney for him. And yet after the negotiations have been going on for several days, no conclusion has been arrived at and as far as could be ascertained yesterday the deal is just as involved as it was on the first day that Col. Ruppert and Capt. Huston discussed it with the head of the American League.

Capt. Huston stated yesterday that they had spent a great deal of the time of President Farrell already and they felt that they did not care to intrude upon his time any more until several matters had been smoothed out.

Capt. Huston did say yesterday that at the Chicago conference the affairs of the Yankees were discussed at some length. Aside from the promise of President Johnson that the Yankees would receive the co-operation of the other American League clubs in strengthening the team, several prominent managers were discussed for the leadership of the New York Club.

Among the possible managers discussed were Connie Mack of the Athletics and Hugh Jennings of Detroit. President Johnson gave the prospective purchasers to understand that both of these men were not available, because it could not possibly be arranged so that Philadelphia or Detroit would release the services of these men.

The question of a manager, according to Capt. Huston, simmered down to three men, who were Bill Donovan, who managed the Providence team, pennant winners in the International League last season; Jack Hendricks of Indianapolis, who for several seasons piloted Denver to a pennant in the Western League, and Jack Dunn of Baltimore, who has had experience both as club owner and manager. While all of these three men have been mentioned as probable managers in the event of the club being sold, none of the candidates came up to the standard anticipated by the new purchasers. They admit that.

Judging from the remarks made by both Col. Ruppert and Capt. Huston, it would seem that there are obstacles in the way of the purchase which may not be overcome. One thing is quite certain, and that is, although Capt Huston remarked yesterday that it was not at all unlikely that the club would be sold within a week, he was not much encouraged by the proceedings as far as they have progressed.

All that President Farrell would say about the situation yesterday was: "I have named my price, I am willing to sell at that figure, but up to the present time I have heard nothing that would lead me to believe that my terms are satisfactory. You will agree with me that, if my club is to be sold, I will have to be consulted in the matter, and up to the present time I have heard nothing definite which would lead me to believe that my terms are to be accepted. I have seen a great deal in the papers, and I think many of these rumors are not true. In fact, today Joseph Lannin, owner of the Boston Club, who was at the Chicago conference, told me that President Johnson had issued no official statements in Chicago, and it may be taken as a fact, I think, that all of these alleged statements from President Johnson were unfounded. I will be consulted in this matter before the club is sold, you may be assured of that. As far as I know, the situation today stands just the same as it did several weeks ago. I have had no price offered nor seen any sign of a probable purchase figure. I still own the Yankees, and if they are sold it will be at my price."

Col. Ruppert and Capt. Huston went to Indianapolis a few days ago and had a long conference with President Harry N. Hempstead of the New York Giants. The result of their talk, it is said, was that if they buy the Yankees they will have the use of the Polo Grounds for the seasons of 1915 and 1916. By that time, they believe, they will be able to build a new baseball park in Manhattan. Several sites have been pointed out, but even Col. Ruppert, who owns a great deal of real estate, does not know where the probable site for a new park will be.

Capt. Huston stated yesterday: "We are new at this baseball business and we are going along slowly. There is no particular hurry, and we are not going into the matter blindly."

Capt. Huston, being a close friend of Manager John J. McGraw of the Giants, has been advised by the Little Napoleon. If Capt. Huston had his way he would engage a National Leaguer to manage the Yankees. But baseball is different from any other business, it was explained to Capt. Huston, and although he would like to get a prominent player like Mathewson to manage the club, such a thing is quite out of the question, for, even if the New York Club was willing to release the popular pitcher—which they are not—it would be beyond reason to expect the other clubs of the National League to waive claim on such a great attraction as "Matty."

The purchasers of the Yankees are up against a peculiar proposition. All the things they expected they could obtain if they bought the franchise are beyond their reach. If they buy the Yankees, they must take what they get, with many promises from President Ban Johnson. To a business man like Col. Ruppert such a proposition does not look inviting.

As a matter of fact, Col. Ruppert stated yesterday that the purchase price had not really been agreed upon. President Frank Farrell named his figure, which is said to be $500,000. This figure was considered too high by Col. Ruppert, so President Johnson took it upon himself, in behalf of the league, to pay Mr. Farrell his price and make up the difference between what Col. Ruppert and Capt. Huston were willing to pay and what President Farrell wanted.

It was learned that late yesterday afternoon Col. Ruppert had a talk over the telephone with Mr. Farrell in regard to certain information concerning the club. It is understood that no definite time was stated for a conference. Col. Ruppert would not say what he wanted to learn about the club from Mr. Farrell, but it is said by other baseball officials that it is in regard to the Yankees' obligations and money which other clubs owe to the Yankees.

Col. Ruppert stated that the fans would very likely know something certain about the proposed deal within a week.

Yesterday President Frank Farrell and William S. Devery, who has a large interest in the Yankees, were closeted for several hours at the Yankees offices with their attorneys. They would say nothing about what transpired at this conference.

So as the matter stands now, Mr. Farrell knows little or nothing about the alleged sale, President Ban Johnson, presumably talking about something over which Mr. Farrell has not been consulted, is hopeful for a sale, and Col. Ruppert and Capt. Huston are patiently waiting and do not know exactly where they stand.

The only definite fact obtained was that President Frank Farrell, W. S. Devery, et al, still own the Yankees.

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Schedule Makers Don't Consider Conflicting Dates with Outlaws.

Secretary John A. Heydler of the National League returned yesterday from French Lick, Ind., where, with President Ban Johnson and Barney Dreyfuss, he has been working on the schedules for the National and American Leagues for next season. Dreyfuss acted as proxy for President John K. Tener, who was unable to attend the conference.

Mr. Heydler stated that the meeting had been satisfactory in every way. The only conflicting dates between the American and the National League schedule will be in Chicago, where the same dates have been arranged for the two clubs on five different Sundays during the season. This was unavoidable. There are no conflictions in any of the other cities.

Mr. Heydler stated that the National League season would close on Oct. 7 in the East and in the West. The last games would be played three days before that date. It was learned that during the proceedings no attention had been paid to the probable schedule of the Federal League. Last season it was also ignored and the result was satisfactory to organized baseball.

In regard to the Federal League schedule Vice President Robert B. Ward stated that when the schedule was drawn up in February the new league would make no effort to avoid conflictions with organized ball. Last year, on the advice of John M. Ward, conflicting dates in Brooklyn between the Federals and the Dodgers were avoided as far as possible, but this policy will not be followed this season.

Mr. Heydler stated that the schedule for the National League, as drawn up, was only tentative and would be submitted to the various club owners before the meeting here in February. The holiday dates, which mean much to the various clubs, were distributed as evenly as possible. These dates, like the opening dates, are alloted alternately to the different clubs from season to season.

VIRGINIA LEAGUE DEMAND.

Wants $10,000 to Surrender Richmond Franchise.

President Edward G. Barrow of the International League did not seem a bit worried yesterday at the action of the Virginia League on Tuesday in ignoring the call for a special meeting to consider the transfer of the Baltimore club to Richmond. When the invasion by the Internationals into Richmond was discussed here at the meeting a few weeks ago, it was practically decided to reimburse the Virginia League for the surrender of the Richmond territory by the payment of $5,000.

It is now stated that the Virginia League will not consent to the transfer of Baltimore to Richmond, unless it receives $10,000. This is considered an exorbitant price by the International League, and it is very likely that it will refuse to pay it. The matter will be put up to the National Commission for adjustment.

The International League meeting has been called for Jan. 10 in this city, when each of the eight clubs will be asked to deposit $10,000, which will be used as a war fund against the Federal League. The Virginia League has decided to assemble a few days before this meeting and make its demand for $10,000 on the International League.

JOHNSON RETURNS $6,000.

Sells Herd of Steers and Pays Back "Feds" Advance Money.

COFFEYVILLE, Kas., Dec. 23.—With the money obtained from the sale of a herd of steers Walter Johnson, star of the Washington American League Club's pitching staff, today mailed a draft reimbursing Charles Weeghman, President of the Chicago Federal League Club, for the bonus given Johnson when he signed a Federal contract. The draft was for $6,000. Then Johnson, who after signing a Federal League contract made a new bargain last week with the Washington Club, motored back to his farm near here.

"As far as I am concerned the incident, which has proven an unpleasant one to me at least, is now closed." Johnson said. "There is nothing more I can do. I shall report to the Washington Club when the Spring training season opens. If any complications arise they will have to be fought out between the two leagues or between the heads of the two clubs—Washington and Chicago. When I mailed that draft my responsibility ended."

Barnstormers in California Again.

FRESNO, Cal., Dec. 23.—The All-Nationals defeated the All-Americans here today by 6 to 2 in their first game since returning from Honolulu. The teams will play at Bakersfield tomorrow. Score:

	R.	H.	E.
Nationals	6	9	2
Americans	2	10	6

Batteries—Tesreau and Clark; Cole and Henry.

Crutcher of Braves Gets a "Raise."

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Dick Crutcher, a member of the pitching staff of the Boston Nationals, signed a contract for next season today. He received an advance in salary.

Powers, Old Ball Player, Dead.

Philip J. Powers, a famous baseball catcher when the national game was young, died yesterday at his home, 11 Manhattan Street, at the age of 62. The cause of death was pneumonia. "Phil" Powers first made a name for himself as a catcher on the New York Mutuals in 1870. In those days catchers wore no mitts, and Powers, by his catching, won the title of "Leather Fist" Powers. After he left the Mutuals Powers caught for the famous Cincinnati Reds. His best year was in 1876. He was associated with many of the pioneers of baseball and was famous for his ability to stop swift throws with his bare hands. Since 1892 Mr. Powers has been a messenger in the Manhattan Bureau of Buildings.

PRINCETON STARTS HOCKEY A VICTOR

Superior Team Play Accomplishes Defeat of Irish-American A. C. Seven.

In a match, in which lack of knowledge of the fundamentals of hockey play was the noticeable feature, the Princeton seven last night scored a victory over the Irish-American A. C. combination, by a score of 5 to 2, at St. Nicholas Rink. Neither team played up to a standard that would entitle it to much credit. There was a little better cohesion on the part of the Tigers, and that was the factor which placed the victory to their credit. For the most part, however, it was a game of individual effort with few of the thrills for which the sport has gained a reputation.

The first half was a wild scramble of players, each endeavoring to take upon his own shoulders the work that should have gone to the team as a whole. The result was that the goal keeper of neither team was hard pressed, and the two counts which were made were very much in the nature of flukes. Team play was subordinated to individual effort. For pure aggressiveness the Princeton boys were superior to their rivals, and the sorties of attack on the Irish-American goal were much in evidence, but with the line attack lacking, the one individual with the rubber was generally helpless in attempting to pierce the defense opposed to him. The tallies by each side were from close scrimmage around the net.

Princeton was not materially better when the players came on the ice for the second half, and it was rather the bewilderment of their opponents which enabled them to count up four goals as opposed to one for the Irish-Americans. It was in this half that the one instance of something like team work occurred when Cowan and Hills raced the puck the length of the rink and the former scored.

The Tiger team was the first to get a count, and it came as the result of one of the wild scrimmages near the net. Princeton had carried the puck down the ice and passed far to one side of the cage. Then McGrath came around from behind, and W. Humphrey by a lucky flick of his stick snapped the rubber into the net. The Irish skaters brought it up to an even count near the close of the half, when McGrath caught the puck in front of the Princeton goal and skated almost into the goalkeeper before he tried to count.

Princeton raced away in the second half, with the Irish-Americans playing like a green team of schoolboys. There was no stick work that would count and the men could not get up any speed. Three times in succession Princeton caged the rubber, the first being a result of a long run down the ice by W. Humphreys. The second was a pretty bit of team work between Cowan and Hills, and then Cowan scored the third count after a wild mêlée in front of the Irish goal. McGrath scored the second Irish-American goal of the game on a pass from Cree when they were close to their opponents' net, and Schoen made the final Princeton tally. Line-up and summary:

Princeton.	Position.	Irish-Am. A. C.
Cohu	Goal	Kelly
Peacock	Point	Dufresne
J. Humphreys	Cover point	Claffy
W. Humphreys	Rover	Cree
Cowan	Centre	Shea
Hills, Hoyt	Left wing	Loucks
Schoen	Right wing	McGrath

Goals—First half, W. Humphreys, Princeton, in 7:13; McGrath, Irish-Americans, in 15:00. Second half, W. Humphreys, Princeton, in 3:50; Cowan, Princeton, in 7:10; Cowan, Princeton, in 10:10; McGrath, Irish-Americans, in 11:00; Schoen, Princeton, in 16:20. Substitutes—Hoyt for Hills, Harmon for Loucks. Referee—J. E. Garon, Hockey Club. Assistant Referee—Tom Howard, Yale. Goal umpires—Frank Ellison, Wanderers, and L. Crovath, Crescent A. C. Timekeeper—George W. Graham, Wanderers. Time of halves—Thirty minutes.

WOULD STOP CHECKING.

Alfred Windsor Proposes Radical Rule at Hockey Meeting.

It is possible that there may be a revolutionary rule adopted in hockey as a result of a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Amateur Hockey League last night at the St. Nicholas Rink. Alfred Windsor, at one time a prominent Harvard player and last night representing the Boston A. A., was sponsor for the formulation of a rule which would prevent body checking. He would make it so that no player can be checked unless he is in absolute possession of the rubber at the time of checking. Harvard has played such a game for several years. The men, instead of rushing into the player who has advanced the puck in front of him, come down the ice and, by turning, try to take it away by skating along in front of him.

This would be a sharp digression from the Canadian sport, and the benefit to the game would be in making it faster. Many of the members of the league are said to favor the proposed rule because it would make for a cleaner game and do for hockey what the forward pass has accomplished for football.

Several minor changes in the rules were decided upon. From now on there will be a so-called goal zone where the player can do legally what he has been doing by sufferance. This will extend twenty-five feet in front of the net, and from ten to fifteen feet back of it.

The intermissions have been changed from ten to fifteen minutes, and there is to be a penalty if a team does not come on the ice when that intermission has expired. The seven will forfeit one man for as many minutes as the team is late, the Captain to pick out the player who leaves the ice.

HOCKEY LEAGUE IN DISTRESS

Schoolboys' Organization Not Sanctioned by Any One in Authority.

The High School hockey wrangle is now before the High School Games Committee, and will probably be decided at the next meeting of that body. The application from the Hockey League for a P. S. A. L. sanction was received yesterday, and the communication was referred to W. H. Andrews of Boys' High School, Chairman of the High School Games Committee. Dr. Crampton, Secretary of the P. S. A. L., said that as far as he knew none of the High School representatives who formed the Hockey League had the official authority of the school Principals. Dr. Crampton said he did not know what action the High School Games Committee would take, but it is said that if the Hockey League is to remain in existence with New Rochelle as a member, it will have to be without official recognition of the school authorities.

Another obstacle has been placed in the way of the Hockey League. Some of the High School Principals, whose schools are at present in the league, are not enthusiastic about the league because they claim it results in discrimination among the students, and at least one Principal is utterly opposed to hockey and is working against the league. He claims only the wealthy students can afford to play hockey. While the Hockey League is being buffeted around trying to get official recognition, the hockey players are practicing daily.

Tebeau Buys Kansas City Park.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 23.—George Tebeau, owner of the Kansas City American Association Baseball Club, today became absolute owner of Association Park here as the result of final settlement of a suit brought to determine the ownership. Tebeau leased the property, with an option to buy, several years ago. Suit brought to compel the owners to sell at the price fixed at that time was decided in Tebeau's favor three weeks ago. The parties to the suit reached a final agreement today.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC RIDES.

Durland's and Central Academies Have Special Features.

The Christmas Horse Show took place at Durland's Riding Academy last night and was well attended. The feature event was the class for the best single horse shown to appropriate vehicle, and the judges spent much time before they awarded the blue ribbon to O. J. Gude, driving Bully Boy. B. F. S. Gregory, driving Lady Friar, received the red ribbon. Mr. Gregory, driving Duchess and Princess, received the blue in the class for the best pair driven to appropriate vehicle, and Mr. Gude, driving Bully Boy and Bonnie Boy, took the red. The blue for the best saddle horse over 15.2 inches went to Walter Baker, on W. T. W., while Tommy Dodd, with O. J. Gude up, took the red, and the yellow went to Walter Baker's Blue Grass.

The blue for the best saddle horse under 15.2 inches went to Supreme, owned by Mrs. J. Reynolds, and Piccadilly Percy, with Miss Margaret Thompson up, took the red. There were four entries in the high-jumping contest, and Miss Viola Flanigan's Kildare took first honors, with the red going to Blue Mouse, owned by C. & H. Combs Brothers. The yellow ribbon was won by Mr. Hanley, on Irontrail.

In addition to the horse show there was a cotillion ride with about fifty taking part. Commander Charles T. Krauss directed the riders through the intricate figures of the ride, and the following persons were participants: Mr. and Mrs. John Gerken, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Sause, Mrs. Rose, Miss Rutter, Miss Furst, Mr. and Mrs. A. Kloch, P. Duffy, Miss Duffy, Mr. Galston, Miss Burns, Miss Bennett, and Mr. Wartzfelder. The academy was prettily decorated and a large sign illuminated by pink electric lights read "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year."

Central Riding Academy held its Christmas music ride last night, and in addition had a jumping contest, polo match and manikin race. There was a large attendance, and the ride was one of the most successful held at the academy. In the polo match the Central Park Academy team defeated the four from Durland's by the score of 4 goals to 3. There were eight in the jumping contest, and Vernon Castle's Gunpowder, with Mrs. F. Galvin up, took the blue, and the red went to Hunter, with Miss Hagen, aged 12 years, up. Cricket took third, with Mrs. von Kline up, and Tillie Kelly, with the same rider, was fourth.

In the manikin race the blue went to George Hegeley. Commander Otis W. Coleman was in charge of the music ride and sixty riders followed him through the figures. The leaders were W. Salmon, M. Wilder, W. Gilman, Mrs. J. Nagle, and Mrs. J. Strauss.

GETTING READY FOR POLO.

100 Ponies Arrive at Coronado C. C. —New Yorkers to Compete.

Special to The New York Times.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 23.—More than 100 polo ponies are now quartered in the Coronado Country Club stables waiting for the big polo games to begin New Year's Day. The ponies include twenty belonging to J. Langford Stack of the Chicago Polo Club, ten that were shipped by Max Fleischman of Cincinnati, twelve owned by Frederic McLaughlin of Chicago, fifteen owned by W. H. Dupee of Coronado, thirty owned by Robert G. Neustadt and Carleton Burke of Pasadena, and twenty-eight owned by Reggie and Harry Weiss of Pasadena.

Thomas Le Boutillier of New York will arrive here Monday with his family, and is shipping eight ponies. Hugh Drury sent twelve ponies from Riverside.

Frederic McLaughlin, Captain of the Onwentsia Club of Lake Forest, Ill., will arrive here Jan. 5.

That L. E. Stoddard of the New Haven Country Club and Watson J. Webb of the Great Neck Club will be here during the season was stated today by their friend, Perry Beadleston.

Other men famous in the polo world who may possibly play here soon after the New Year are Foxhall P. Keene, Harry Payne Whitney, and Larry and Monty Waterbury, according to word received by Major Colin J. Ross.

YALE UPSETS THE NAVY.

Middies Suffer First Basket Ball Defeat in Two Years.

Special to The New York Times.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Dec. 23.—In winning from the Naval Academy by 22 to 14 here this afternoon, Yale administered the first defeat the Midshipmen have sustained in basket ball for two years. Smith and Adams, the Navy's fast forwards, were well covered by Arnold and Taff, and Yale emphasized their defensive play successfully. The game was marked by inaccurate shooting and frequent fouls, both technical and personal. Arnold's goal from past the centre of the court in the last half was the feature. Line-up:

Navy.	Position.	Yale.
Smith	Forward	Kinney
Adams	Forward	Weiner
Deroode	Centre	Smith
Wilkes	Guard	Taft
Overesch	Guard	Arnold

Substitutions: Navy—Chandler for Deroode, Calhoun for Chandler. Yale—Stackpole for Weiner, Rhett for Stackpole. Goals from court: Navy—Smith, Adams, (2,) Willis. Yale—Kinney, (2,) Weiner, (3,) Arnold, (2,) Stackpole. Goals from foul lines: Navy—Smith, 6 out of 14 chances. Yale—Arnold, 6 out of 11 chances. Referee—Mr. Colliflower, Georgetown. Umpire—Mr. Wheatley, Annapolis. Time of game—Twenty-minute halves.

N. Y. U. Defeats Catholic Five.

The excellent team work of the New York University basket ball quintet last night gave them a victory over the Catholic University five of Washington in a closely contested game on the former's court at University Heights by the score of 28 to 20. The local collegians outclassed their opponents in almost every department of the game, and their supremacy in handling the ball was evident throughout.

Individual honors went to Levy, the New York University right forward, who played an excellent game throughout and displayed a remarkable accuracy in shooting. He caged the ball ten times from the foul line and accepted sixteen chances. He also scored three goals from the field, making in all a total of 16 points for his team. The line-up:

N. Y. U.	Position.	Catholic.
Levy	Right forward	Caffrey
Farrer	Left forward	White
Storey	Centre	Donnelly
Cummings	Right guard	Keegan
M. White	Left guard	Cartwright

Substitutions—Bloch for Storey, Carlin for M. White, Hinchcliffe for Caffrey. Goals from field—Levy (3,) Storey, (1,) Cummings, (3,) M. White, (2,) Caffrey, (3,) Hinchcliffe, (1,) Donnelly, (2,) Keegan, (1,) Cartwright, (2.) Goals from foul line—Levy, 10; White, (2.) Referee—J. H. Deering, Manhattan College. Time of halves—Twenty minutes.

Schoolboys in Basket Ball.

Evander Childs High School basket ball team, which wanted to withdraw from the P. S. A. L. League, but later decided to remain a member and play its schedule, was badly defeated in its first league game yesterday by Stuyvesant High School by the score of 48 to 7.

Boys' High School five defeated Poly Prep yesterday afternoon at Boys' High School by the score of 26 to 13. Barshotski, the fast guard on the Boys' team, was the big point getter for his team, caging five field goals and four goals from fouls. Boys' led all the way.

In a league game yesterday afternoon Newtown High School basket ball five defeated Townsend Harris at Maspeth by the score of 33 to 16.

An easy victory was registered by the Hamilton Institute basket ball team yesterday, when they defeated Columbia Grammar School by a score of 42 to 22. Formosa led the scoring for the victors with thirteen field goals and two goals from fouls.

Cathedral College swamped the Cooper Union five yesterday in a fast, clean game by the score of 37 to 9, in which Shanahan gave a fine performance with his phenomenal shooting. He was credited with 21 points out of the 37 by which Cathedral won.

Golf Winners at Pinehurst.

Special to The New York Times.

PINEHURST, N. C., Dec. 23.—W. E. Truesdale of Fox Hills was the winner of today's tin whistle bogey golf handicap, played in connection with one of the team matches. He finished all even, playing with a handicap of nine. The Reds, headed by W. L. Hurd of Oakmont, scored 7 points to 4 for the Blues, led by C. L. Becker of Woodland.

M'CARTHY KNOCKED OUT BY 'GUNBOAT'

Cowboy White Hope Vanquished in Fourth Round at Empire A. C.

Another would-be "White Hope" was eliminated last night at the Empire A. C. when Gunboat Smith knocked out Tom McCarthy in four rounds. The result came as a surprise after McCarthy had held a commanding lead for three rounds. The end came so quickly that few of the spectators realized it.

McCarthy had been satisfied to box at long range, for he had been advised that the Gunboat carried a sleep-producing punch, for which he appeared to entertain a wholesome regard. Smith had tried several vicious swings, but Tom evaded them. Then in the fourth round, as the two men came together, Smith shot out his right, which found a mark on his opponent's jaw. The blow was delivered with all the power it was possible to put into it, and the effect was startling. Bleeding profusely from the mouth the Western cowpuncher dropped to the canvas-covered floor. He was too dazed to heed his seconds' advice to take the limit of the count before arising, and staggered to his feet. Any chance he might have had to recover from this crushing blow was dissipated by this action, for Smith, who was towering over the bewildered boxer, did not give him a chance to recover, but rushed in with right and left swings that rocked Smith's head from one side to the other. Once more McCarthy went down, grasping the ropes in a frantic effort to maintain his equilibrium. He was a beaten man, and when he regained his feet he was attacked by another fusillade of blows. The inhuman part of the boxing game entered into the combat at this stage, and Referee Dan Tone disregarded the loud cries to stop the contest, and it was not until McCarthy fell over the ropes helpless that he ordered Smith to his corner.

Since his return from Europe, Gunboat Smith's pugilistic path has not been strewn with roses. He occupied a place among the leaders of his division, but his hold was none too strong. He had ceased to be the formidable man in the ring that he was after disposing of Bombardier Wells, and while his victory over McCarthy will serve to elevate him it will not re-establish him as a possible contender for championship honors. The victory was due more to chance than judgment, and his showing in the first three rounds did not lead to the supposition that he was able to accomplish McCarthy's downfall.

That McCarthy was nervous when he went into the ring was plainly visible. The pair were evenly matched in height and weight and, although McCarthy proved himself the superior in boxing, he showed his mind dwelt upon the warning of his seconds to look out for Smith's punch. He lacked confidence, and this affected his hitting abilities and general ring work.

Smith also appeared to be afraid of McCarthy in the first round. He made two wild swings, both of which went wide of the mark. McCarthy planted several hard lefts on the face, one of which raised a lump under Smith's left eye. The men did not change their tactics in the second round. Smith appeared to gain more confidence and made several attempts to land, but the blows went wild. McCarthy's left found a landing spot on the Gunboat's face.

Under the repeated urging of his seconds, Smith improved in the third round. He landed a hard left on McCarthy's jaw, which turned him around, but Tom was always on top of his opponent with left jabs and hooks. Just before the end of the round Smith landed a left in the stomach, but the blow did not seem to worry McCarthy.

The fourth round opened with Smith leading. Both missed swings and as they came together for a clinch Smith worked a short right jolt which landed flush on McCarthy's mouth and floored him. McCarthy arose immediately but was dazed and staggered. Smith sprang at McCarthy and crashed a hard right on his jaw. The latter grabbed the ropes as he fell. He stayed down a few seconds and just managed to balance himself. Piledriving blows followed from the Gunboat and the crowd shouted to Dan Tone, the referee, to stop the fight, which he finally did.

GOLFERS WANT NEW RULE.

Definition of an Amateur Advocated by Eighty Clubs.

When asked yesterday if the clubs were interesting themselves in the agitation concerning the status of an amateur, Robert C. Watson, President of the United States Golf Association, stated emphatically that they were.

"Out of a total of 91 clubs which have communicated with the association headquarters on this subject, eighty have declared themselves in favor of changing the rule," said Mr. Watson. He also added that in his opinion the rule defining an amateur was almost certain to be changed.

The proposed rule, a copy of which was printed in THE TIMES yesterday, was drafted by Charles Blair Macdonald, founder of the National Golf Links of America. There is probably no one better qualified to attempt to unravel such a knotty problem than Macdonald, who is well acquainted with golf conditions here and abroad.

The Secretary of one near-by club stated last night that the proposed rule had been read at a recent board meeting and the decision was to have its delegates vote in favor of an amendment at the annual meeting of the United States Golf Association at the Waldorf on Jan. 8.

Mr. Watson also expressed the opinion that as the Fox Hills Golf Club had been awarded the Metropolitan open championship tournament, the Staten Island organization would be put out of the running so far as the national open was concerned.

There is, of course, no rule to preclude a club from handling both tournaments the same year. As a matter of fact, Fox Hills wanted the national open. In discussing the situation last night, Joseph J. O'Donohue, Jr., President of the Fox Hills Golf Club, said:

"While we appreciate the privilege of being allowed to hold any of the championships of either association, we naturally are keenest for the United States Golf Association meeting. As long, therefore, as no rule exists to prevent us from having both tournaments you may say that we are still in the field for the big event, and will make every sportsmanlike effort to get it."

N. Y. A. C. Boxing Jan. 7 and 9.

Entry blanks have been issued for the monthly amateur boxing tournament of the New York Athletic Club, to be held in their gymnasium, Fifty-ninth Street and Sixth Avenue, on Thursday and Saturday evening, Jan. 7 and 9. The classes to be contested are 110, 120, 130, and 140 pounds, with an allowance of one extra pound in each class. Besides the regular show, a special bout has been arranged between J. Tiplitz, Educational Alliance, Metropolitan Association 145-pound champion, and A. Ratner, Ninety-second Street Young Men's Hebrew Association, New York State 145-pound champion. Entry blanks will be sent to any one upon the receipt of a request, to M. P. Halpin, Chairman Athletic Committee, New York Athletic Club, Central Park South, and at the office of the Metropolitan Association, 21 Warren Street, New York City.

Giants Want Schaefer for Coach.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Herman Schaefer, who recently was released by the Washington Club of the American League, has been offered the management of the Los Angeles Club of the Pacific Coast League, it was announced today. Schaefer also said that he was considering an offer to join the New York Nationals as coach.

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WHITE TO START EAST.

Clever Chicago Boxer Will Work Out at Cooper's for Shugrue Bout.

Matchmaker Jimmy Johnston received a telegram from Nate Lewis, manager of Charley White, last night stating that White would leave Chicago today for New York accompanied by two sparring partners. Lewis requested Johnston to secure training quarters for White, and Jack Cooper's Gymnasium has been selected. White will do his gymnasium work at the Forty-seventh Street hall and use the paths in Central Park in the morning for his road work. The Chicago idol has been in active training for the past three weeks, having an easy time winning his last bout a week ago. Jimmy Murphy was the victim, and was knocked out with a left hook on the jaw in the second round.

Being a legitimate 133-pounder White is taking no chances in meeting opponents heavier than himself now that a match for the championship is in sight. His manager stated in the telegram to Johnston last night that Shugrue would have to make 133 pounds at 3 o'clock the day of the fight. As the weight first mentioned, 136 pounds at the ringside, is about the same the question will be readily adjusted on the arrival of White from Chicago. White will perform at Cooper's on Christmas afternoon for the first time.

Shugrue is working out at Waterbury for the match, and has young Drummie and Bobby Moore training with him. The Jersey City lad is down to 134 pounds, and will have little trouble making the weight demanded by White.

ERASMUS TO GET TROPHY.

Dispute Over Rifle Shooting Scores with Morris H. S. Settled.

Erasmus High School's rifle team has been awarded the city championship and the Whitney Trophy. Erasmus, by her victories Monday and Tuesday, won the championship, but it was not until yesterday that the wrangle over the scores on Monday was satisfactorily arranged and the award made official. At the offices of the P. S. A. L. yesterday it was stated that no official protest had been made about the scores of Monday's shoot, but a request for an examination of the score cards had been made by Morris High School.

Rowland Patterson, Secretary of the High Schools Games Committee, made a careful examination of the scores yesterday and said that if every one of Morris's claims were granted it would not make the Morris scores sufficient to defeat Erasmus, so the shoot which had been tentatively arranged for yesterday at the Seventy-first Regiment Armory was called off.

The readjustment of the score cards would only result in changes in the individual scores. Prizes are awarded to the shooters getting perfect scores, and if the Board of Coaches changes the Morris scores, some of the shooters might qualify for prizes.

The Whitney Trophy is at present in the possession of the Curtis High School, which won the championship last year, and after the trophy has been properly engraved it will be presented to Erasmus High.

WOMEN STAY OUT OF A. A. U.

None of 200 Female Swimmers in New York Seeks Registration Card.

When the Amateur Athletic Union at its last annual meeting adopted a rule permitting women swimmers to register with the governing body for competition in races exclusively for their sex, it was stipulated that it would be optional with the various associations of the union whether they adhered to the new clause. Among others who intimated they would not recognize the rule was the New England Association delegates, and that they made no idle jest became evident yesterday when word was received here that the Governors of the association had refused to sanction a championship swimming meet for women. The question came up at the meeting of the New England Association, and when a majority of the representatives frowned on the suggestion it was placed in the hands of the Swimming Committee, who will take no action on it. Women swimmers in the New England district are few, but several have been registered with the association. Notwithstanding that there are 200 women in the metropolitan district who competed in swimming events during the last year, none has taken out an A. A. U. card in the Metropolitan Association. Many requests were made for registration blanks, but that was all that was ever heard from any of the fair amphibians.

Teams for Intercollegiate Chess.

John L. Lockwood, Chairman of the Intercollegiate Chess Committee in charge of the annual tournament between Columbia, Harvard, Yale, and Princeton, who will begin their twenty-third meeting at the Murray Hill Hotel next Monday morning, gave out yesterday the personnel of the four teams that will figure in the three days' competition. Yale, winner of the championship last year, will place three members of the champion team in the field again. Columbia and Princeton will each have two "veterans," but, with the exception of one, Harvard will have practically a new team. The four teams and substitutes follow:

Columbia—H. E. Leeds, '17; A. P. Sachs, '15; A. J. Mandell, '15; E. F. Korkus, '17; substitutes, M. W. Kempf and M. L. Meinken.

Harvard—D. M. Beers, '15; A. S. Ellenberger, special; R. Johnson, '16; A. B. Bruce, '15; substitutes, L. Le Fevre, '17; C. H. Fabers, and R. K. Kenna.

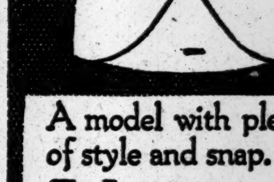
Yale—D. Quarles, '16; G. C. Job, P. G.; T. A. Lightner, '15; H. C. Levinson, '17; substitutes, E. R. Bartlett, '17, and T. H. Banks, '17.

Princeton—E. S. Carter, '16; W. B. Chamberlain, Jr., '17; I. Starr, '16; J. R. Chamberlain, '17; substitutes, B. Franklin, '16, and G. W. Jarman, Jr., '15. The referees will be Hermann Helms and Julius Finn.

Brown Nine Drops N. Y. U.

PROVIDENCE R. I., Dec. 23.—The Brown University baseball schedule announced today contains twenty-two games, the same number as last year. Newcomers on the list are Vermont, Springfield Y. M. C. A. College, and Chinese University. Trinity, New York University, and Pennsylvania have been dropped. The schedule is as follows, games not otherwise designated to be played in Providence:

April 7, Rhode Island State; April 10, Providence (International League;) April 14, Maine; April 17, Princeton; April 21, New Hampshire State; April 24, Yale; April 28, Wesleyan; April 30, Virginia; May 1, Holy Cross; May 5, Amherst at Amherst; May 9, Tufts at Medford; May 12, Vermont; May 15, Amherst; May 19, Yale at New Haven; May 22, Tufts; May 26, Princeton at Princeton; May 29, Harvard at Cambridge; May 31, Harvard; June 5, Chinese University; June 9, Springfield Y. M. C. A. College; June 12, Holy Cross at Worcester; June 16, open.



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On Macomb's Dam Road from Central Bridge to 153d Street, to Seventh Avenue, to 145th Street, being an extension of the present frequent service on the Seventh Avenue Line.
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On East 72nd Street, from First Avenue to Fifth Avenue, to 57th Street, to Broadway, to West 72nd Street, to Central Park West.
Fifth Avenue Coach Co., 102d St., East of 5th Ave.

KINSELLA WINS AT SQUASH, TIES SERIES

Feron, Injured by Opponent's Racquet, Loses Second Match for Title.

Walter Kinsella, the Squash Club professional, turned the tables on Stephen J. Feron of the Harvard Club yesterday in the second series of matches for the professional squash tennis championship of the United States, and made another match necessary to decide the title. Kinsella, with the advantage of playing in his own court, won a five-game match by the score of 9—15, 11—15, 15—9, 15—13, 15—6. The third and deciding match will be played in the Princeton Club court next Wednesday.

The renult of the match was a big surprise to the followers of squash tennis, as Feron's easy victory by three games to one last week at the Harvard Club indicated a straight match success; but over-confidence was one of the principal contributing causes of the title-holder's defeat. With the advantage of 2 games to love, Feron took matters easy for a time, and then woke up to the fact that Kinsella had not only equalized the games, but held a commanding lead in the fifth game. This advantage was too great to overcome, and Kinsella, who played on his nerve in the last two games, held his lead over the champion to the end.

Near the end of the second game Feron received a hard smash in the left eye from Kinsella's racquet. The blood bothered him somewhat, while the pain was intense. Against this handicap Kinsella was suffering from an abscess of the ear, which was lanced on Monday. That he had not fully recovered from the effects of the operation was shown during the last three games of the match, when at times he was very weak, and his pluck and determination in holding out surprised the gallery.

Kinsella played better tennis than in his opening match. He played well within himself and did not permit his faults and bad shots to upset him like he did at the Harvard Club. He showed good judgment and played a scientific game. While aggressive at times he kept the champion guessing as to his next shot, and was thereby enabled to make better use of his speed. Feron was good and bad in streaks, but did not appear to develop the resourcefulness that characterized his play in the first half of the series. He showed a tendency to hit the ball too hard, while in the fifth game he missed five service aces, more than the other four games combined.

It was a strenuous encounter and lasted nearly two hours. Kinsella was a very tired man when the last point was scored, while Feron complained of pains in the head, the result of his injury. The addition of an extra official resulted in the match being played without the many claims being made for lets and high balls, which were of frequent occurrence in the first match.

Both players frequently found the telltale in the first game, while the ball was twice driven out of court. Feron took a number of returns on the half volley and kept his shots low. Kinsella did not show any real form until the tenth hand, when he tallied 4 aces; but the champion held his man safe. The second game showed Feron to be a strong uphill fighter. Kinsella led at 9-2 and 11-4. Following a rally at the latter score, Feron put together 5 aces in his best style and repeated three hands later. He then ran out on his next hand.

After once securing the lead in the third game Kinsella was able to stop the threatened rushes of Feron. In the eleventh hand he slipped and fell heavily on the court, but recovered himself and continued the contest. The third and fourth games, both of which went to Kinsella, were long-drawn-out and marked by interesting rallies.

Kinsella made short work of the fifth and deciding game. Feron obtained a 3-1 lead in the first hand, but the challenger quickly overcame this, and at the end of the third hand the score was 8 to 3 in his favor. After two blanks Kinsella came back with a 4 and 3, respectively. Feron did not appear to overexert himself in the last game. The point score:

FIRST GAME.		
Kinsella	00011010041001	9
Feron	10100213023002	15
SECOND GAME.		
Feron	00001010020050051	15
Kinsella	2000113111100000.	11
THIRD GAME.		
Feron	0000010012110021	9
Kinsella	0000202110110331	15
FOURTH GAME.		
Kinsella	0030110021010010102101	15
Feron	200001001001000100340.	13
FIFTH GAME.		
Kinsella	1340043	15
Feron	300030.	6

Referee—George Whitney, Harvard Club. Umpire—D. Raymond Noyes, Squash Club. Assistant Umpire—H. Halsey van der Poel.

Athlete Frank McNally Injured.

Frank McNally, the New York A. C., and second Naval Battalion sprinter, suffered a serious injury early this week, and will be unable to compete on the track for two months. His loss will be felt by the New York Athletic Club, which counted on him to win the junior national 220 yards championship next week. The Mercury Footer holds the junior metropolitan outdor title at 200 yards, and until he was incapacitated, was showing the best of form of his career.

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CLASS C BILLIARDS.

Servatius and Appleby Win Matches in Amateur Tournament.

Two games were played yesterday in the 18.2 balk line Class C amateur billiard championship at Doyle's Academy. In the afternoon Louis A. Servatius defeated Charles Spear, 200 points to 152. The average was 2 54-73 to 2 8-72.

This match took seventy-three innings and was a long, drawn-out affair, as neither player appeared to want to take a chance, and whenever possible played safely. Spear made sixteen in his eighth inning, which was his best effort and the high run of the game. Fourteen and eleven were his other good scores. Twelve twice and an eleven were the runs which helped Servatius.

The latter started off well, and it looked at one time as if he was going to make a runaway match of it. While his runs were small, he scored consistently in each inning, and had totaled fifty points in his first ten innings. Spear was away off his game at the start. It was not until the eighth inning that he seemed to get the balls thoroughly under control. He then reached the high-water mark of the game with sixteen. Thereafter the game was slow, as neither player would take a chance, and each man's total mounted slowly by ones and twos.

The match at night was fast, and several records were made, when Edgar T. Appleby easily disposed of J. T. Unger in twenty innings. The Columbia University player completed his 200 points with an unfinished run of forty-four, and he had the remarkable average of ten, which set a new mark for this championship event. His high run of forty-six has never been beaten in these contests. While Appleby was performing all these sensational stunts Unger was only able to make seventy-seven points.

Plinter and White Win with Cue.

Al Plinter and Charles E. White were the winners in the two games decided yesterday in the preparatory billiard tournament at Maurice Daly's Academy, Forty-ninth Street and Broadway, for Class B 18.2 balk line players. The former defeated William Gershel, local player, in the afternoon contest, by the score of 300 to 220, after thirty-seven innings of fast, close playing. In the evening White defeated S. Lowenthal, by the score of 300 to 262 in fifty-seven innings.

Women Enter Garden Swims.

Manager Ruberl of the water sports carnival, to be held at Madison Square Garden during the week of the Sportsmen's Show, Jan. 2 to 9, has received a list of women entries for the swimming and diving championships, including Miss Josephine Bartlett, the amateur diving champion and Lucy Freeman, the quarter-mile swimming champion. Another important entry is that of Miss Martha Hagstabt, who won the five-mile championship race from Rockaway to Brighton Beach, defeating many long distance stars. Miss Hagstabt has entered all the events over a route during the week at the Garden. Edna Cole, who was second in the five-mile race, and Elsie Sutton, who took third position are also among the entries, and will be strong competitors for the Annette Kellermann Cup. Miss May Nerich, sister of the Y. M. C. A. star, N. C. Nerich, will again be entered in the sprint events. Miss Nerich is the 100-yard champion, and is numbered among the fastest sprint swimmers in the East. Rita Greenfield, another sprinter of class will be one of Miss Nerich's strongest competitors. A water polo match is being arranged by Manager Ruberl between members of local organizations.

Mecca Yacht Club Officers.

The Mecca Yacht Club, which is located at 152d Street and Hudson River, has elected the following officers for the coming year: Commodore—Daniel G. Adams; Vice Commodore—Thomas Simpson; Rear Commodore—Robert Gardner; Fleet Captain—Charles Houseman; Fleet Surgeon—Dr. John Husson; Recording Secretary—Maurice Brush; Financial Secretary—Louis F. Hettler; Treasurer—Arthur W. O'Donnell; Trustees—Leonard Leaman, B. F. Tompkins, and James L. Delaney.

Metropolitan R. C.'s Election.

The Metropolitan Rowing Club elected officers for the coming year in the clubhouse last night as follows: T. J. Waters, President; C. F. Froelich and B. F. Granning, Vice Presidents; R. J. Hyland, Treasurer; F. W. Areson, Financial Secretary; J. J. Kelly, Corresponding Secretary; A. Howard Hart, Captain, and John Schultz, Lieutenant. Board of Directors—James J. Cloonan, J. V. Delgenovers, Commodore John O. Regan, Michael J. Murphy, and Gus Wieners.

Princeton Club Changes Date.

Major Francis A. Landon, Chairman of the Princeton Club inter-scholastic carnival, announced yesterday that the club had changed the date of its meet from Jan. 29 to March 27, and it would be held in the Seventy-first Regiment Armory. In the last three years the meet has been held at the Seventh Regiment Armory.

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THE COAL RATE CASE.

The Pennsylvania Public Service Commission has rendered its decision in what it calls a case of "grave importance." The complainants' grievance was that more was charged by the anthracite carriers to deliver coal at Philadelphia for consumption there than to carry it through Philadelphia for consumption at New York and in New England. The order was that the rate at Philadelphia should be reduced so as to place Philadelphia upon an equality with other ports. Nothing could seem fairer to those unacquainted with the difficulties of the case. This apparently simple matter involves the conflict between State and Federal commissions, the competition between different markets and different commodities in the same market, and the always troublesome administration of the long and short haul clause.

The rate on coal to New York is fixed by conditions beyond the power of law to alter. At this point all sorts of coals arrive, and many come by water. The rates are competitive, both between the coals and the carriers, on land and water. The market is the largest and best. New York is entitled to the lowest rate, and there is no way to prevent its having it. The case was discussed as though the carriage of coal within Pennsylvania was a State matter, and could be treated independently. Evidently the Pennsylvania Commission could not affect New York rates by its order. Therefore it ordered equality by leveling down to New York's rate. What could be fairer?

The fact is that there is no greater injustice, and no greater inequality, than the equal treatment of unequal conditions. The gist of the decision is that the distance of carriage altogether within Pennsylvania is shorter than the carriage to New York. Therefore the Philadelphia rate should be lower than the New York rate, and it is ordered only to an equality. The Commission perceives that the railways would be ruined if they were compelled to carry all business at the minimum of the most competitive business, and it meets the point in the manner the Interstate Commerce Commission has abandoned.

The New York rate on coal was reached in what may be called the commercial manner. It is a compromise between irreconcilable factors. More than one coal company has bankrupted itself carrying coal to New York too cheaply. The present prosperity is the result of what the law forbids and always will forbid in vain. It is not possible to draught laws which shall compel the sale of goods below the seller's estimate of cost and profit, on his own basis of valuation. It is not possible to compel disagreements between those in a mood to agree. We have been trying to forbid agreements and to cheapen commodities and reduce profits by law for a generation.

Only the other day was reported a decision in the Lehigh Valley case illustrating these points. The Government was prosecutor under a statute so severe that the courts have been unable to execute the full savagery sought to be put into it. In this particular suit the Government was told that it had no case. The Government proposes to appeal, although the decision is based upon a finding that the defendants were conforming to the law as declared in the highest courts. What more could be expected of anybody? Why might the Government not better decide that it had done all that was necessary?

The reason is that the Lehigh Valley case, like the Philadelphia coal case, illustrates the regulation of rates in the political manner, rather than the commercial manner. The political manner is a combination of idealism with the lowest form of truckling to the ill-informed electorate. Government would provide profits when Government was not able even to provide good Government, an easier and simpler task. There are mathematical formulas for the fixing of railway rates. The ciphering is right, therefore the rates must be right. That leaves out of the calculation everything but the figuring, although business is a complex of the most intricate factors in life. The upshot is that prices are best made by agreements, whereas the entire effort of recent years has been to compel disagreements and to impose edicts upon sellers. The public has had almost enough of it. The courts have had too much of it.

OUR ORIENTAL POLICY.

The subject of our policy in and toward the Orient is a proper one for consideration by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ and especially for its Commission on Relations with Japan. So far as the council is concerned with the spread of doctrinal theology, it is obviously not entitled to, nor does it, as we understand it, seek, any aid or influence from the Government. But so far as it strives to secure conduct by our Government and by others inspired by recognized ethical aims and standards it deserves attention. The council has sent to the President and to Congress an appeal for "an "Oriental policy based upon a just "and equitable regard for the interests of all the nations concerned." Calling attention to the fact that Asia is rapidly awakening and is destined to play an important rôle, the petitioners say:

> Whether that rôle shall be one of peace, good-will, and mutual co-operation, or one controlled by increasing suspicion and fear between the East and West, will depend largely upon the attitude of the Western nations themselves. The first step on the part of the United States should be the adoption of a "more adequate Oriental policy" providing for comprehensive legislation covering limitation of immigration and the registration, distribution, employment, education, and naturalization of immigrants, "to promote "an intelligent and enduring friendliness among the peoples of all the "nations."

The notable feature of this appeal is that it is not confined to generalizations which every one can accept and no one is likely to act on. It recognizes the concrete fact that, in the conditions that prevail, "limitation of immigration" must be considered, and the further fact that consideration must be given to the proper treatment of such immigrants as may finally be admitted to incorporation in the American Nation in order that they may contribute to our normal national development and not create friction and disturbance. But it is urged that these problems shall be dealt with, so far as may be, through co-operation with the nations concerned and in a spirit of mutual respect, fairness, and friendliness. It is extremely likely that the Oriental Governments most intimately concerned in these matters would find it to their interest to check and regulate emigration to this country in a manner and degree satisfactory to any reasonable desire on our part. What in the past has raised questions between us and them has, in great part, been the spirit and way in which restriction has been undertaken in this country, mainly, it must be added, by the several States. On the one hand our National Government cannot ignore the sentiment that demands restriction. On the other it is obviously our interest and our duty to adjust the matter, if at all possible, by agreement with the Oriental Governments.

The support of the Council of Churches may be a valuable element in the solution of a problem which is necessarily a vexatious and difficult one. The appeal is signed by men of recognized standing and influence from all parts of the country. We are confident that its spirit will be shared heartily by President Wilson and his Administration and by many men of weight in Congress.

THE UNCALLED-FOR CHALLENGE.

President Wilson's success in making the country come his way during his first year and a half of administration is now a matter of common and platitudinous comment; and the explanations offered for it are many. But the real explanation is simple enough. He has obtained his remarkable ascendency because Congress, with that factitious plurality of 1912 in mind, has been afraid to cross him. It has passed his Currency bill, his Tariff bill, it has even violated the traditions of Buncombe County in the Panama tolls matter—just because it was afraid.

In all past times the recalcitrancy and stubbornness of the Democratic Party in office have been a proverb. President Wilson, the first Democrat since Pierce to disprove the legend, owes his success entirely to that fear entertained of him by the men in Congress. It is an asset, an asset such as few Presidents have had, and one he should not throw away.

He is throwing it away. He is throwing it away in a fight which should never have been made. The country will not back the President in a quarrel over patronage which he could easily have avoided. It was not necessary for him to quarrel with Senator Reed, Senator Martine, and Senator O'Gorman over a few little offices of no interest except to the localities involved. The President may think that he is fighting for a principle, but what he is actually doing is to jeopardize his great influence and the future success of his Administration, with all that that means, for the sake of proving to the Senators that his understanding of a clause in the Constitution is right and theirs wrong. They have their own interpretation of the word "advice"; he thinks it wrong, and apparently he is willing to fight them to a finish for the sake of showing that his definition is the correct one.

It is a pity. No President in many years has established the control over Congress that Mr. Wilson has. Seemingly, he is now ready to fritter it all away in an easily preventable fight over a few Postmasterships. If he really had to challenge Congress, it would have been wiser to issue his defiance on some question that really affected the welfare of the country. After a year and a half of splendid management he has seen fit to throw down the gauntlet over that age-old question which Hayes, Garfield, and Cleveland raised in vain. Undoubtedly the framers of the Constitution never intended that the clause giving the Senate the right to advise in the making of nominations should have the perverted power which, under the Senate's interpretation, it now gives to individual Senators. Abstractly the President is right, but he is raising the issue unnecessarily, and is risking his best asset before the country—his control of Congress—for a flea-bite. The fact that he is right—and he is—will not change the public conviction that there are times when it is not well to insist on truisms.

Mr. William G. McAdoo and Mr. Franklin D. Roosevelt are not in themselves epoch-making characters; but if to their bad advice is to be ascribed the wreck of the first Democratic Administration since Cleveland's, they will have their own little niche in history—such as it is, and they are welcome to that fame.

BOSTON'S ONLY SKYSCRAPER.

Boston's only skyscraper, the Custom House tower, now approaching completion, is expected to be ready for occupancy Jan. 1. Standing in a city where the prevailing type of construction is of the older and lower kind, the effect of this new specimen of massiveness in architecture is greatly enhanced. Heretofore the two commanding objects in Boston were the gilded dome of the State House on Beacon Hill and the shaft of the Bunker Hill Monument. But the new Custom House tower, rising 500 feet in the air, is 275 feet higher than the summit of the Bunker Hill Monument, and from its observation balcony on a clear day it is expected that the White Mountains, the long arm of Cape Cod on the east, the flashing waters of Long Island Sound on the south and the beautiful Berkshire Hills in the west will be visible. It will be several hundred feet lower than the Woolworth tower in New York, but the latter lifts its summit from out the midst of mighty skyscrapers, and therefore its great height is not comparatively, perhaps, so impressive as that of the lower Boston skyscraper. Like the Metropolitan tower in New York, Boston's Custom House tower is to have a great clock which will be placed just below the twenty-fourth story. The clock, like the tower, will have four faces, and a dial twenty-seven and a half feet in diameter, but, unlike the great clock in New York's tower at Madison Square, it will have no chimes, a fact which is to be regretted. Especially will Boston and classic Cambridge, the home of Longfellow, who commemorated in verses the belfry of Bruges and its carillon of bells, probably feel as the years go by that a mistake was made when the Government refused as a gift a set of chimes to be installed in the tower. Governments proverbially have little sympathy with the romantic and the picturesque, but surely had Boston urged the matter of the chimes with due earnestness the Government architect might have been induced to alter his plans.

PLUM PUDDING AT THE FRONT.

In spite of cabled news of battles and of suffering and horror, those who read the English newspapers gain an impression of the Christmas spirit abroad in the trenches and in the homes from which soldiers have gone to the front. In the trenches the soldiers have contrived to make themselves something resembling a housekeeping establishment. In the "dugouts" behind the firing line they have constructed rudimentary kitchens. Their comfort depends more or less on the soil of the region, one unhappy officer complaining that the soil of his dugout sat down "like a hen about to lay an egg" every time it thawed. But the troops are making the best of it in a remarkable manner, and one of the cheerful aspects of their life is that they are well fed. A British officer writes that the army rations are the envy of everybody; "beef, tea, sugar, jams of all kinds, "cheese, bread, potatoes, onions, all of "the best quality." There are something like 4,000 cooks at the front, not spoiling but concocting a capital broth, which is served with the meat in it at midday.

The French cooking, however, is admitted to be supreme in the trenches, as elsewhere, and "Pioupiou" adds to his stew cabbages, carrots, onions, turnips, celery, and leeks, often risking his skin to get the vegetable ingredients for a true "pot au feu" from neighboring farms. The pot au feu is all right, and so is the omelette, and the compote for four made from one stewed pear, but when it comes to plum pudding Tommy Atkins insists upon his rights. Some envious Frenchman in a treasure of a cook-book has been trying to prove that the English did not invent plum pudding after all. He gives some silly recipe in which are lacking lemons and almonds and milk and the mixture of brandy and ale and rum; he powders it with sugar, he pours rum over it instead of brandy, he makes no mention of a sprig of holly or of sticking it all over with blanched almonds. He says not a word of the ring, the lucky sixpence, the bachelor's button, the spinster's thimble, and then he pretends to call the result plum pudding.

The genuine plum puddings, with the almonds and the holly and the rest of it, are going to the front this week by battalions. A Christmas Pudding Fund was started some time ago by one of the newspapers in London, and in no time at all 465 puddings out of the 500 asked for were subscribed. In addition to these, hundreds of private puddings are making their way toward the firing line with those greetings of love and gayety and courage that are supposed to aid in keeping a stiff upper lip. There is ever so much more to a national dish than its ingredients. For pure sentiment nothing can go ahead of plum pudding.

TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

Journalistic Comedy of Errors.

Here is what may be truly called a curious as well as an amusing adventure in journalism: Tuesday evening a reporter, employed on a newspaper the name of which is to us as yet unknown, appealed over the telephone to a man with more than ordinary knowledge of conditions in Palestine for some enlightening comment on the reported expulsion of Jews from Jaffa by the Turks. That was all right, of course, but not all right was it that this reporter, who for convenience shall be called Blank, applied for the desired information, not in the name of his own, presumably saffron, paper, but in that of The Times—a nefarious trick not infrequently played as a means of inspiring confidence in those approached for news.

In this instance, as often, the trick worked, and the Palestine specialist cheerfully said what he could think of at the moment in regard to the news from Jaffa. Later, something more having occurred to him, he kindly called up The Times office and asked for "Mr. Blank." The only Mr. Blank employed by The Times, a young gentleman who in an earlier day would have been called a "printer's devil," left his arduous duties at a proof-press to receive into his bewildered ears the beginning of a learned discourse, which he promptly appraised as a "josh," and with equal promptness terminated, in language that our kind friend, we fear, must have regarded as rude. Thus a friend who had tried to render The Times a service was justly grieved, until explanations turned, as we trust, his righteous indignation upon him who deserved it—the wicked reporter of another paper who sought information on false pretenses.

Suggestions for Our Versifiers.

As something like fifty writers of verse send in to this office daily from one to a dozen each of productions more or less metrical, from which we select a single poem—when luck is with us—and a single near-poem when it isn't, there is at least excuse for giving in this place some advice calculated to make easier the way of both the aspiring bards and the winnower of their so many offerings.

First and most important is it to remember that illegibility in its several degrees is a proportionate bar to appreciation of poetry, for he who is stopped two or three times in a line to puzzle out a word loses whatever of rhythm or harmony that line may possess. Therefore in their own interests, as well as in kindliness to one who really wants to be fair to them all, they should have their verses typewritten, and, as nearly as possible, in such matters as indentation, division, and capitalization, exactly as they should be printed.

Next, the poets should put name and address in one or another corner of each offering, and when that is done it is quite unnecessary to add an accompanying note to the effect that the inclosed verses are for sale.

Again, everybody knows that "copy" should be on only one side of the paper, but there seems to be widespread a false belief that it shouldn't be folded, and the result is the frequent use of huge envelopes that fit in with nothing and make a lot of bother when many communications are to be handled. For some mysterious reason good poetry is never written on lined paper. Apparently it cannot be, and therefore lined paper should be avoided.

Legibility, after all, is the one great quality of "copy," as such, and its lack the one great fault, and those poets who do not attain it desperately hurt their chances of acceptance in these days when the use of the typewriter is next to universal—is invariable with those who are considerate of other people's time, temper, and eyes.

CLEARY'S ACQUITTAL.

Miss Peck Thinks a Jury of Women Would Have Convicted Him.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

May I be permitted a few words to express my astonishment not only at the amazing travesty of justice which was perpetrated last week, but at the slight comment it has evoked, perhaps on account of the hurry at Christmastide?

A monstrous verdict, indeed! "Intoxication no excuse for crime," says the Judge. Pray, what is? Love? Does the man own his daughter? Does he care for her happiness? No, it is the disgrace to his family, to his lofty self, that he thinks and first speaks of. And twelve men (no, not good and true) pronounce him guiltless! The man not responsible for his intoxication? Temper, rage, a sufficient excuse? Would that I had been Prosecuting Attorney with six women on the jury! A different verdict, I believe, would have been pronounced.

Men speak to us of justice, say that men alone have judicial minds. With this farcical trial here, with a white man of good character in Georgia convicted on the word of a dissolute negro, with a New York Judge declaring that the money a woman saves is not hers—to speak of men's justice is to laugh.

Our tender sentimentalists say, "Capital punishment is no preventive of crime." True. When, according to recent statistics, there is not one chance in eighty that a murderer will be executed for his crime the fear of capital punishment has little effect on bomb throwers, gun men, Harry Thaws, or Clearys. Hence we have in proportion ten times as many murders as some other countries, far more than any other that pretends to civilization.

ANNIE S. PECK.

New York, Dec. 22, 1914.

"The War and the Way Out."

To the Editor of The New York Times:

As one of them, I wish to thank The Times for presenting to its readers that splendid article by G. Lowes Dickinson. I have read with much interest the many articles by eminent men on the causes and remedies for the unspeakable war now in progress. The friendly and illuminating correspondence between Dr. Charles Eliot, President Emeritus of Harvard, and Mr. Jacob H. Schiff in the same issue of The Times as the above might well be continued and taken up by other eminent educators and statesmen, but "The War and the Way Out," by G. Lowes Dickinson should be made the subject of serious study and discussion by every class in history and political economy in every high school throughout the country.

JOHN E. SAFFORD.

Stamford-in-the-Catskills, Dec. 21, 1914.

URGES AMERICA TO ARM.

A Letter from Newman Howard to Mr. George Haven Putnam.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

The readers of The Times (a very considerable and influential circle of Americans) may be interested in reading the accompanying letter from an English correspondent of my own. The writer, Newman Howard, has won a position for himself as a poet. His letter is that of an earnest public-spirited citizen who writes with poetic fervor and whose counsels are infused with the glow of poetic imagination.

It is the poets, however, who have the power and prescience to look forward and to see that which may come. We may not afford to close our ears to the voice of Cassandra. In any case, I have promised my friend that I would bring his message to the attention of the American public, and I know no better way of so doing than to have a place made for it in The Times.

The claim for a thorough consideration of the condition of our national armaments has thus far been based on the wisdom, not to say the necessity, of securing an adequate defense for the territory of the republic. We must bear in mind also, however, that the republic has assumed obligations outside of its own territory. Under our interpretation of the Monroe Doctrine we have undertaken to protect two continents from European aggression. If this position is not to be abandoned, we must give evidence that we have provided the force required to maintain it. Our rich territory presents great inducement for attack if we are to accept the rôle of an inoffensive jellyfish; but a jellyfish that is not content to remain inoffensive, but undertakes to be bumptiously aggressive, can only cause laughter to gods and to men.

GEORGE HAVEN PUTNAM.

New York, Dec. 23, 1914.

Dear Mr. Putnam: Our papers give, in a recent report from New York, your name as one of the leaders in the movement for the strengthening of American armaments and defenses. Fight for this work with all your strength. The result may prove to be the rear guard and the last hope of the world's freedom.

In Europe there stand between the ruffian Praetorian Guards of the Kaiser and the domination of the whole world little but our eggshells in the North Sea, which any day may be sunk by the unsuspected efficacy of new guns, submarines, and aircraft. On land the pirates seem to be almost impregnable, and they can hardly be dislodged from the foothold they have secured through their treacherous leap on Belgium. Our soldiers held firm against odds of five or more to one. When both sides have filled a thousand miles of rabbit holes with their last levies, the best that we can hope for, bearing in mind the inferior armaments of Russia, may be a stalemate, with a concession to the despot power of a widened frontier. If our eggshells are sunk, the cause of freedom is lost on this side of the Atlantic; and if the propaganda of your Security Committee may fail to secure acceptance as the policy of your nation, the game will be up also on your side in the near future.

The concrete beds which the emissaries of the Kaiser have constructed in convenient places may be completed also on your side of the Atlantic before you have had your talk out with the glib suicides of your smug pacifists.

I have myself for years past looked forward to this world catastrophe, and have, in fact, ventured prophecies in regard to it. It was my judgment, in the reading of men and of forces, that unless sleeping Britain could be aroused to arm her millions the catastrophe must come.

I was ill and was without influence; but I might have done more than I did to help shape public opinion. Do you not err as I did. Maintain your fight, with the consciousness that perhaps on you and your associates may rest the salvation of America. When once the blow is struck at England, after massacres and miseries that will make the devastation of Belgium appear by comparison the work of a Summer gale, those of us who are left (since America was not ready with timely help for us) will never more be able to come to the aid of America. Or we may even come, but it will not be for your help, but with the pistols of the Praetorian Guards of the Kaiser behind us to goad us to the slaughter of our kinsfolk, as today these Teutons are goading Slav to slay Slav, Pole to slay Pole, and Alsatian to slay Alsatian. At this very hour it is likely enough that your German guests or hyphenated American citizens are planning the concrete beds from which your cities are to be crushed.

In the meantime we are fighting your battle and our own; and what are your President and your Congress doing to help us?

I had a word yesterday with an artillery officer, who is at home on a week's furlough after fighting experience at Mons, on the Marne, on the Aisne, and at Ypres. He said that an examination of the unexploded shells of the enemy indicates that they are already in difficulty through the shortage of metal.

Your Congress appears to take lightly the dishonored seal on the scrap of paper which lies buried under the débris of the cities of Belgium, but I am unwilling to believe that Americans can be concerned at the risk of loss of some dollars to be secured from the sale of the copper that should prime those faulty shells for the murder of Britain's sons, who are fighting not only for their own defense, but for the defense of America.

I have no voice to appeal to the noble soul of America. Who would listen to me? You they will hear. They hear you, and the soul of freedom in England listens with grateful understanding when you speak for the building up of a final bulwark against the Kaiser and the Neros that shall follow the Kaiser; a bulwark that will be needed promptly if the murder factories of Essen may find guns or explosives to sink our fleet.

My eyes have failed me, and I am obliged to write this word through an amanuensis. I write to you as a friend whom I have known and in whom I feel full confidence.

NEWMAN HOWARD.

Aberdovey, North Wales, Dec. 7, 1914.

Why Germany Is Disliked.

From The Ottawa Journal.

The New York Times in a remarkable editorial calls for the complete defeat of Germany. It goes even further and predicts that, if by any possible chance the fortunes of war should favor the common enemy, the present neutral nations would feel compelled to attack the Kaiser in order to guarantee their future existence. All this is true, of course, and is remarkable only because it emanates from one of America's most representative journals and is thoroughly in accord with the calm thought of the people of the United States.

The failure of the German idea to take root in Europe is one of the developments of interest to students of political systems. In this connection it is of interest to learn that no less a personage than Prince von Buelow, former Chancellor of the German Empire, and lately Ambassador to Italy, declares that Germany's national vice is envy. Equally informative is his assertion that the German people have little political capability, but great talent for fighting. Prince von Buelow uses this as a proof of the unsuitability of a republican form of government to the German people and as a reason for a rigid adherence to the monarchical-aristocratic-military system. The Prince argues that even a parliamentary form of government under a monarch is not adaptable to German traits.

Here, indeed, may be found the real reason of European dislike for German methods as evinced by such reliant and self-governing peoples as the Swiss, the Dutch, the Danes, and others who, The Times feels certain, would not in the event of the worst coming to pass stand idly by and see the triumph of ideals of government so antagonistic to individual and national freedom.

BELGO-BRITISH "PLOT."

Prof. Kirchwey Accuses Dr. Dernburg of Twisting Evidence.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

Dr. Bernhard Dernburg's reiterated effort to fasten on Belgium the responsibility for the ruin which German imperial policy has brought upon her calls renewed attention to the irreparable injury which he and the other defenders of Germany's cause are doing her in this country. Surely no great power with a great cause was ever worse served than Germany has been served by her official or semi-official apologists in America. How are we plain Americans to regard a cause whose only arguments are distortion of facts and misrepresentation of documents? That a man of Dr. Dernburg's ability can resort to such methods—not once, in the stress of controversy, but systematically and persistently—argues either that he shares the contempt of Prof. Münsterberg for the intelligence of the people whose hospitality he is enjoying and abusing, or that he has himself fallen so completely under the spell of the sophists of his own land that he can no longer distinguish between fact and fiction in any matter in which the interests of his country are concerned.

Leaving out of account the improper use made by Dr. Dernburg of a speech made by Gladstone in 1870, and of the language of an opinion by our own Supreme Court, (neither of which has any application to the present Belgian case,) it is too clear that the very documents cited by him refute the arguments which he has based upon them. They show, indeed, that there were conversations, exchanges of views, between the military authorities of Belgium and Great Britain, looking to co-operation between those powers in the event of war with Germany. But they show with equal clearness that the aid of Great Britain was to be available only in the event of a prior invasion of Belgian territory by Germany. The language of the cited memorandum made by the Chief of the Belgian General Staff is explicit:

> The entry of the English into Belgium would only take place after the violation of our neutrality by Germany.

To distort this effort of the Belgian military authorities to defend their neutrality against the only power that was likely to violate its sacred pledge to respect it as a surrender of that neutrality to Great Britain, and as an act of hostility to Germany which would justify that power in carrying out its threat, is a view which might, indeed, find lodgment in an insane mind, but which can excite only wonder and contempt in a rational mind.

The pity of it is that Germany really has a case which is obscured and betrayed by arguments such as this. The argument from military necessity urged by the Imperial Chancellor in his address to the Reichstag (immoral though it be) has at least the merit of a certain nobility, and there are not wanting those in this country to whom it makes its appeal. We, too, have our admirers of the strong man or nation that takes what he or she needs, that hews his or her way through every obstacle to success, that lets no trumpery considerations of public morality or humanity stand in the way of the pursuit of his or her ends. But even our Bernhardis can have only contempt for a cause which seeks to justify its grandiose violation of international law and public right by seeking, through the distortion and misrepresentation of facts, to shift the responsibility upon the victim of its high-handed proceedings.

GEORGE W. KIRCHWEY.

Columbia University, Dec. 21, 1914.

BRITAIN'S RECRUITS.

A Londoner Corrects Impressions About Their Sufficiency.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

As there seems to be an impression in America that Englishmen are not enlisting in the army as they should do, will you permit me to draw your attention to matters as they really are? These impressions exist, I think, because our sensational press has been carrying out what it is pleased to call a "recruiting campaign," and the form it has taken was the mistaken one of shouting and bullying and slandering the people of this country. We have, you know, a section of the press whose only occupation in peace time is that of creating trouble with other nations.

The Englishman keeps his feelings deep down in his nature, but the fact that he does not show his emotions does not prevent him from appreciating at their fullest value America's attitude in this great war. We know that your sympathies are with us, and if you will permit me to say so, America was never held in higher esteem in this country. We do not require your help nor would our pride allow us to ask for it, even if we were beaten down in the dust, but your sympathy is a great moral asset to us in these trying times.

Now as to recruiting. So great was the rush of recruits at the beginning of this war that our authorities could not deal with it; in fact, the height of recruits had to be raised to 5 feet 6 inches for a time to check the numbers who enrolled. A million men have now joined Kitchener's army and the Territorials, 800,000 going to the former and 200,000 to the latter. (We believe the numbers to be many more, but for official reasons full numbers are not stated.) In addition to these we have many regiments that are being raised for local reasons, but are not included in the above figures, such organizations as the Sportsmen's Battalion, the Manchester Pals regiments, and many others.

The strength of the British Army at the beginning of the war was, roughly, 350,000, including reserves. The strength of the Territorial Army was 350,000, all young men, voluntarily enlisted. We are getting a steady supply of recruits at the rate of 30,000 a week, so that with the Canadian and Australian contingents we have practically 2,000,000 men under arms, excluding the royal navy. Lord Kitchener, in whom we have every confidence, recently stated that he was satisfied with the number of men who had joined, and if he did not think that he would not say so.

P. W. BURR.

London, Dec. 9, 1914.

Hospitals Need Funds, Too.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

In this morning's issue I could not but wonder at the great amount of money that is constantly being donated to colleges. It is very strange, indeed, that some of those generous people could not realize there are other deserving institutions for the betterment of mankind.

Our city hospitals for the poor and needy are sadly in need of funds, and what greater charity could there be than to endow a hospital for the poor sick and suffering, who are unable to get the needed comforts at such times?

The fact is there is entirely too much money spent on colleges, and too little on hospitals, where it is really needed. I would like to see some energetic newspaper advocate a hospital endowment that would stand out as a monument to suffering humanity.

It certainly would be a great humanitarian act to get some of this college flow of funds started in a more deserving direction. Can you not use your great power in that direction for the benefit of mankind?

CONSTANT READER.

New York, Dec. 22, 1914.

Congratulations.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

Please accept our congratulations upon the circulation and advertising gains made by The Times. We have high respect for The New York Times and frequently hold it up as a model to be copied. We trust that you will continue to be eminently successful.

THE SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE,
(By W. H. B. Fowler.)

San Francisco, Dec. 17, 1914.

SHAW AMENDED.

Germany's House Not Afire, but Merely Just as Large as She Wanted.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

Bernard Shaw's justification of treaty breaking has an irresistible quality, that of stimulating into expression opposite views to his own, and this, perhaps, because he seems to be impelled more by the desire of saying what he expects nobody else to be prepared for than that which is simply true. The former attitude of mind is more likely to be termed "brilliant" and "original," the more so, of course, as it assumes the aspect of bewildering incongruity, which might make some readers feel like philistines and yet arouse in them the aspiration of intellectual redemption through Mr. Shaw's illuminating originality.

Still, his exposition of "neutrality in easy terms" in Sunday's New York Times, while endowed with his special humor, based on the unexpected, fails, it seems to me, to be logical. The hypothetical plight of Mr. Balfour in his house on fire might have had an illustrative value if Germany had been visited by a conflagration such as to make it uninhabitable, when all the Germans would have had to flee for their lives to Belgium, Luxemburg, France, and England, in which case no one will doubt that they would have been received with open arms in every one of those countries. The correct illustration, it seems to me, would have been in the assumption that Mr. Shaw, let's say, had a progeny too numerous to be held in his present house, whereupon at the head of the said numerous progeny armed to their teeth he would have proceeded to batter down the house of his neighbor, killing him in order to gain possession of the house next door to that because it was more ample and suited to the requirements of his large and, of course, cultured and brilliant progeny.

PIERRE TROUBETZKOY.

New York, Dec. 21, 1914.

SUGGESTION FROM SCOTLAND.

America Asked to Insist on the Evacuation of Belgium.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

In this out of the way place, and in the long Winter evenings, I read a great many papers, and, among others, your issue of the British "White Paper" and the Russian "Orange Paper." One cannot help being impressed with the efforts the Germans are making to secure the good opinion of America. This crops up ever other day in my reading.

I have taken up my pen to write you that I humbly think the United States has a great opportunity before it just now. All honor to you for your great gifts of food to the Belgians, but your opportunity of saying on what terms your friendship to Germany is to be continued is here, and may pass away before long.

A decisive message from you to Germany would have a powerful effect, and it should intimate that the desired friendly relations can only be attained in one way, and that way is by their at once clearing out of Belgium and allowing the poor victims of the war to get back to their country and to rebuild their wrecked homes. If you could see them, innocent men, women, and children, to whom war has brought poverty and distress, as we see them in Scotland here, you would be disposed to make your great national voice sound out the above words like thunder. I have no doubt it would be listened to and acted upon.

If they still want to get into France, let them try by the other way, Luxemburg. But America should intimate that it cannot see an innocent people disinherited by any nation that ever hopes for its friendship.

IAN MACGREGOR DHU.

Stuckavrallachan, Stirlingshire, Scotland, Dec. 8, 1914.

TO A GREAT PEOPLE DECEIVED.

(An Open Letter.)

Why are ye closed as in enchanted walls—
As past a grim stockade to heaven reared,
Ye people that were once so near our hearts,
Ye of the childlike heart, who loved the child—
Makers of homes the world around; where'er
Ye wandered, flowers and arbors traced your path,
And melody companioned all your toil?
How have ye changed! And wherefore are ye changed?—
Who hath inclosed you in enchanted walls,
Where still ye are deceived, lodging belief
In injury that none have wrought on you?
Who hath infected you with venomed hate,
That, counting the wide world your foe, ye send
Your innocent mild tillers of the soil,
Your pliers of the loom, your student youth,
Armed as one man, willed as one man, to kill?
And, draining off a cup more baneful far
Than that Circean draught which monsters made,
These that ye send a maddened herd become,
Scourging the lands that border you each way!
Why made ye war? At whose behest let loose
A curse of crashing ball and eager flame,
Death from the skies and from the delvèd ground?
Who hath so cozzened you—for worship raised
An eidolon of Empire-over-all?
Like that long-vanished Scythian tribe who chose
A buried sword to be its god supreme,
Who bade ye, while a human-age went by,
To never let the Martian fires die down,
But forge and foundry serve both day and night,
Where molten metal ran to missile death,
Against the long-sought opportunity!
O kindly people that we knew till now,
(And, kindly still, beyond the grim stockade,)
Not of your free accord has this been done;
But they of iron will, projecting far,
Have wrought you to their ends—and, chiefly, one
Who arrogates himself to Heaven so near
That evermore his counsel hence he draws.
Iron! He gives ye iron crosses for your meed!
And dying eyes of Valor, far from home,
Look, languishing, toward where he keeps, afar—
Safe and remote, fed proud—at cost of you!
O people once so loved—still loved, by us,
By us who dwell where Freedom holds her sway,
Can we not reach you past enchanted walls?
Take, now, the hands reached out to you—take hands
Of all the world, outreached, while prayers ascend
That ye may break the sorcerous bonds, at length,
That keep ye from the brotherhood of man
That longs to make all war a broken sword. . . .
Du liebes Vaterland, sei frei, sei frei!

EDITH M. THOMAS.

ART NOTES.

Scott's Desk and Southey's Chair in C. J. Dearden Collection.

The question still is asked: "Is furniture art?" No one of ordinary intelligence attempts to answer it with a simple affirmative or negative. Every one knows that most of the furniture produced today is not art, not always on account of inferior design, but because the machinery employed in turning out great numbers of pieces of a given pattern destroys the individuality and expressiveness that can be got in objects made by or under the supervision of the designer, to whom each detail is important as belonging to the total effect.

Every one knows also that much of the furniture of the past is art because in the past the master and a few workmen superintended each piece of work, and in place of the machine the chisel and knife guided by the sensitive human hand worked out the intention of the designer. Such names as Chippendale, Sheraton, and Adam are as well known as Romney and Reynolds, better known than Barlow and Streater.

Therefore, when a good collection of old furniture comes into the exhibition rooms it deserves notice on two sides, the historical and the artistic. In the Clarence J. Dearden collection, now on view at the American Art Galleries, there is much of interest from both points of view. The Chippendale pieces are extraordinary in the variety of the forms represented and in the glorious color of the mahogany, darkened almost to blackness, but with the warm glow of the original color enlivening the tone. The surfaces also will appeal deeply to the lover of old woods, having that velvety softness that comes from the constant rubbing of use through long decades, and that never can be imitated by polish "applied" with a brush or by machinery. Chippendale was a member of the Society of Arts, and must be considered in spite of all criticisms essentially an artist. He knew how to make his work solid without heaviness, he knew how to combine beauty of proportion with comfort in use, and elaboration with elegance.

Chippendale's specialty was the chair, and he played with this piece of furniture with a true artist's delight in its possibilities. He was a carver by predilection, and few of his designs miss the opportunity to provide delicate traceries and effective openwork. Here are nearly all the typical "backs" in which he was a master of intricacy. Here is the "Chinese Chippendale" that ought to be contemptible and succeeds in being extremely elegant and attractive. Here is the "ribbon back," which has much against it, and yet fails wholly to antagonize. Here is the Dutch scroll of dignity and comparative simplicity, here is an arrangement of splats borrowed from the Louis XVI. period, and here is the ladder back.

Other chairs in the collection are Windsor in the English and in the rarer American forms, and a number of interesting Spanish and Flemish chairs. A design that has to recommend it only its concern for a scholar's sprawling comfort is called a reading chair of a saddle type. A reading desk rises from the back, and the occupant of the chair rides it astride, facing the back, after the fashion of Prof. Higgins in Shaw's "Pygmalion."

Among the brasses are many examples that should spur the invention of our modern craftsmen who tend to make one thing or one kind of thing over and over, without once straying into an untrodden field. Why not make today the "door porters" or "door stops" that were used in the eighteenth century to keep a door from opening too far, and appear in various quaint and often charming designs? Why not make the beautiful hooks that for generations marked every English reign, or the little knockers for the door of bedroom or study, or medicine boxes, or boot scrapers or door keys, or coffee roasters? In a word, why not admit that nothing human is alien to art, and forthwith step out from certain deep-worn grooves in which our modern craftsmen take shelter?

They will have the assurance, too, that anything they produce today will connect itself promptly with history. At the American Art Galleries one notes the chair in which Southey sat, and the desk used by Sir Walter Scott, but nothing in all history will surpass in associative interest the art created in the year 1914.

THE SHIPS THAT FOUGHT.

German Naval Attache Measures Their Comparative Strength.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

Having been asked by a number of American friends to give my opinion on the mutual strength of the German and English squadrons in the two sea fights off Coronel and the Falkland Islands, I take the liberty to offer you the following compilation, the figures indicating weight of broadside in kilograms:

OFF CORONEL.

German Ships.		*British Ships.*	
Scharnhorst	888	Good Hope	707
Gneisenau	888	Monmouth	408
Leipzig	80	Glasgow	161
Dresden	96		
Total	1,952	Total	1,276

OFF FALKLAND ISLANDS.

German Ships.		*British Ships.*	
Scharnhorst	888	Invincible	3,084
Gneisenau	888	Inflexible	3,084
Leipzig	80	Canopus	1,852
Nuernberg	80	Cornwall	408
Dresden	96	Kent	408
		Carnarvon	408
Total	2,032	Glasgow	161
		Bristol	161
		Total	9,566

Therefore, the German force in gunfire off Coronel was 53 per cent. greater than the English, and the English force off the Falkland Islands was 371 per cent. greater than the German; in other words, the British superiority in the second fight was seven times greater than the German superiority in the first fight.

It remains to add that the fight off Coronel was decided after only 54 minutes, whereas the battle off Falkland Islands lasted at least five hours. Finally, off Falkland Islands the Scharnhorst and Gneisenau were short of ammunition because of their preceding fight off Coronel and the impossibility of having filled up their magazines for the new fight.

It has become known by Vice Admiral Sturdee that the Gneisenau had completely exhausted her ammunition when she sank, refusing to surrender, and her crew went down singing patriotic songs.

K. BAY-ED,
Captain Imperial German Navy, Naval Attache.

New York, Dec. 23, 1914.

FRANK'S STATEMENTS.

His Former Teacher Testifies to His Ability to Write Them.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

My attention has been called to an inquiry in a recent issue of The New York Times regarding the ability of Leo M. Frank to write the noteworthy letters that have appeared over his signature since his indictment at Atlanta, Ga.

For a number of years I was Mr. Frank's teacher of English at the High School of Pratt Institute, Brooklyn. In his work during those years Mr. Frank showed the beginnings of the same clearness, simplicity, strength, and vividness that have characterized his letters during his long period of trial.

Even in his high school days Mr. Frank showed rare thoughtfulness, good judgment, and straightforward manliness. What he thought out he had the ability to express with unusual lucidity and vigor.

Those of us who know Mr. Frank best honor him as clean minded, gentle, fearlessly honest. A terrible injustice has been done him.

Mrs. ELIZABETH H. SPALDING.

Wellesley Hills, Mass., Dec. 22, 1914.

DANCES SERVE TO SHOW DEBUTANTES

Mrs. Frederic Sterry Entertains at the Plaza for Her Daughter Prudence.

MISS CLAPP INTRODUCED

Several Dinners Precede Mrs. Stephen Peabody's Dance at Sherry's for Her Daughter—The Guests.

Several entertainments for the débutantes were given yesterday afternoon and last night.

Mrs. Frederic Sterry entertained with a tea dance yesterday afternoon at the Plaza for her daughter, Miss Prudence Cleveland Sterry. Mrs. Sterry and the débutante, in white satin and white silk net, received in the large ballroom, and there were 400 guests present. The ballroom was decorated with cut flowers and Christmas greens. Those assisting in receiving included the Misses Caryl Hackstaff, Mildred Dennis, Josephine B. Wells, Elise F. Rice, Margaret Erhart, Marietta Chapin, Rita Boker, Eugenia M. Fuller, Marie R. Thayer Margaret Dickson, and Jane Akers of Louisville, Ky.

An equal number of young men were invited to the dinner which followed the dance, including Frederic J. Dennis, E. Kenneth Hadden, Maynard C. Ivison, Lester Armour, C. Van Rensselaer Halsey, John M. Franklin, James Livingston, W. Gill Wylie, Jr., Hermann Boker, and Carl F. Boker, Jr. After dinner the entire party went to a theatre.

Mrs. E. Mortimer Ward of 129 East Seventy-third Street gave a tea yesterday afternoon, followed by a dinner at the Plaza, and later by a dance for more than 200 guests, to introduce her daughter, Miss M. Eunice Clapp, a daughter by her first husband. Mrs. Ward, in pink and silver; the débutante, in silver and white, and her younger sister, Miss Dorothy Clapp, in a blue frock, had receiving with them the Misses Elizabeth Kirlin, Penelope Sears, Lucy Lord, Anna Ballard, Vera A. H. Cravath, Margaret Warren, Phyllis Brown, Marietta Chapin, Dorothy Battle, Olivia Erdmann, and Emmalina Sizer.

The young men at the dinner included Vivian Palmieri, Thayer and Paul Iaccaci, Frederic R. Coudert, Jr., Lawrence Phelps, Bradish J. Carroll, Jr., Herbert M. Clapp, Herbert G. Lord, Jr., Ryland R. Sizer, Jr., Mathew J. Looram, John S. Browning, Jr., and Alfred R. Whitney, Jr.

Mrs. Stephen Peabody entertained with a large dance at Sherry's last night for her débutante daughter, Miss Priscilla Peabody, the dance being preceded by several dinners. Mrs. Charles Merrill Chapin gave a dinner for Miss Mary Stevens Chapin; Mrs. Charles Hallam Keep gave one for her débutante daughter, Miss Eleanor W. Keep, and a third dinner was for Miss Marion Tiffany, the hostesses taking their guests to the dance.

The dance, for which the guests numbered 400, was in the large ballroom; the seated supper was served in the small ballroom, and Christmas decorations were used throughout. Mrs. Peabody and Miss Peabody, in silver brocaded satin, received in the drawing room off the large ballroom.

The guests included some of the older married people, as well as the débutantes and young married couples. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. J. Nelson Borland, Mr. and Mrs. Orme Wilson, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Forsyth Wickes, Mr. and Mrs. George Peabody, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Peabody, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. W. Scott Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Humphreys, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Whitman, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Neilson Hinckley, Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Williams, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Steuart Davis, the Misses Mary Alexandre, Priscilla Bartlett, Constance Peabody, Janet Robb, Edith Blair, Louise Butler, Josephine de Gersdorff, Gwendolin Condon, Elise F. Rice, Jeannette Olyphant, Julia Grant, Carol Harriman, Angelica and Mabel Gerry, Miriam Harriman, Mary Jay Schieffelin, Edith Sloan, Le Brun Parsons, Lillian Palmer, Evelyn Marshall, Lillian Talmage, Alice Haven, Sylvia Holt, Adrienne Iselin, Louise Herrick, Justine Van R. Townsend, and Antoinette Martin.

Also Frederic Alexandre, Philip and Lester Armour, Reginald Auchincloss, Percy Adams, Richard Babcock, Reginald Rives, George A. Dixon, Jr., Colles Coe, Henry E. Coe, Jr., Alfred H. Ely, Jr., W. Travers Jerome, Jr., L. Gordon Hamersley, Stuart and Bryce Wing, Gaillard Thomas, Percy Adams, Charles H. Marshall, Marshall Field, Charles Gautier, George Trevor, F. Burrall Hoffman, Murray Hoffman, Seymour Johnson, Henry A. Munroe, and Frederick A. Juilliard.

YALE'S STROKE OAR TO WED.

John A. Appleton Engaged to Miss E. R. Reath of Philadelphia.

The engagement will be announced in Philadelphia today of Miss Elizabeth R. Reath, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore W. Reath, and John Adams Appleton, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Appleton of New York. Miss Reath made her début at a dance in Philadelphia in November. Benjamin B. Reath, 2d, Theodore Reath, and Thomas R. Reath are her brothers.

Mr. Appleton's father is a member of the publishing house of D. Appleton & Co., and Col. Daniel Appleton is his uncle. He was graduated from Yale last Summer and was the stroke oar of the Yale crew last June when Yale beat Harvard.

No date has been mentioned for the wedding. Mr. Appleton is in the automobile business in Bridgeport, Conn.

Edwards-Powel Wedding Plans.

Special to The New York Times.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 23.—Arrangements are completed for the marriage of Miss Annie Hare Powel and Ensign Walter Altee Edwards, United States Navy, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pemberton H. Powel, on Thursday, Dec. 31, at noon. Relatives and a few immediate friends will witness the ceremony to be performed by the Rev. William B. Meenann, pastor of St. Mary's Church. Miss Marie Louise Edwards of Philadelphia, niece of the bridegroom, will be the flower girl, and Baldwin Edwards of the same city, a brother of the bridegroom, will be best man. Miss Powel will be unattended. Ensign Edwards will give his farewell bachelor dinner at the Racquet Club in Philadelphia Saturday evening.

Fibel-Pollock Wedding Today.

The marriage of Miss Anna Pollock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Pollock of 520 West 189th Street, to Sidney Fibel will take place this afternoon at the Savigny. The Rev. Aaron Eiseman will officiate. Miss Pollock is a teacher in the public schools and a sister of State Senator Harry W. Pollock.

DOUGLAS—HALCOMB.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The wedding of Lieut. Commander Stopford C. Douglas of the Royal Navy and Nan, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Herbert Halcomb of New York, was performed very quietly yesterday at All Saints' Church, Harrow Weald.

Freundschaft Society's Concert.

The Freundschaft Society will give its annual Christmas concert this evening at the clubhouse, 105, West Fifty-seventh Street. The artists will include Marie Rappold, William Hinshaw, Arkady Bourstin, and Lucile Orrell.

FRIDAY JUNIORS DANCE.

Class Begins Its Winter Meetings at Plaza—The Patronesses.

The Friday Junior dancing class had its first meeting for the Winter last night in the Plaza ballroom. The patronesses who received included Mrs. Henry Martyn Alexander, Mrs. Charles Astor Bristed, Mrs. Oliver Harriman, Mrs. Edwin Gould, Mrs. Patrick Valentine, Mrs. Robert Appleton, and Mrs. Atwood Violett. The midnight supper was served at small tables in the suite adjoining the ballroom.

Among the girls at the dance, none of whom are yet out, were the Misses Lorraine Allen, Helen Alexander, Geraldine Adee, Katharine Black, Grace Bristed, Frederika Bull, Lilly Ruperti, Alice Thorne, Esther Tiers, Katherine Kimball, Amy Reick, Martha Keep, Ensley Hodgson, Dorothy Dow, also Brian C. Curtis, Edwin Gould, Jr., Oliver Carley Harriman, Colin M. Ingersoll, 2d, William Floyd-Jones, Eugene Kelly, Bertron La Montagne, Donaldson Tucker, Reginald Lewis, George W. Mumford, David H. McAlpin, Alexander Neave, Howland H. Pell, Jr., and Roland Harriman.

Mrs. Edwin Gould, who gave a dinner for forty and a theatre party for her son, Edwin Gould, Jr., brought some of her guests to the dance.

VANITY BOX CAPS BOTTLE.

Lost in Restaurant When Used by Mistake as a Stopper.

A bottle of catsup figured yesterday in the solution of a mystery that for several days had puzzled the dining room force at the Claridge and perplexed the management. This had to do with the disappearance of Mme. Camille Roe's vanity box from a table in the restaurant a few nights ago.

At the table with Mme. Roe were eight men. She remembered putting the vanity box, which had an opening at the top that would just fit a large-sized bottle neck, upon the table. When she arose to go the box was gone. Every corner of the restaurant was searched, but without result.

A man who was lunching in the restaurant yesterday did not fancy the brand of catsup that was served him and another bottle was brought. Fastened on the top of it was a silver thing, which the man inspected curiously as he took it off. He called the head waiter. The latter recognized what it was at once.

The explanation given was that one of Mme. Roe's guests, in an idle moment of abstraction, must have put the vanity box on the bottle and then forgot about it.

LOST $3,000 IN THE DANCE.

St. Regis Guest Hasn't Even Advertised for Missing Iamond.

In the middle of a dance at the Biltmore Hotel last Friday evening, Mrs. Wilye R. Reynolds, who has apartments at the Hotel St. Regis, remembers now that she heard something drop. She didn't give the matter a second tought, however, until she returned to her apartments, unclasped her diamond necklace, and discovered that a four-karat stone, valued at $3,000, was lost from the ornament.

The necklace was given to Mrs. Reynolds by her husband, who, before his death, was a wealthy banker in Jackson, Mich. She now owns the bank.

Mrs. Reynolds was very much perplexed to know how the newspapers found out about her loss, because she hadn'e even thought of advertising for it. Ii fact, she was not enough concerned about the loss of a mere $3,000 diamond pendant to let it affect her buoyant spirit during the Christmas holidays. Mrs. Reynolds thinks the setting and the stone must have been caught in something while she was dancing and torn from the necklace.

JILTED, GETS MONEY BACK.

Bargain Made by a Young Man Amazes an English Court.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—A bargain of a kind which is said to be more frequent on the other side of the Atlantic than in this country was described in the Westminster County Court a couple of days ago. The Judge expressed amazement, and, incidentally, expressed his opinion about a young woman who had broken off her engagement and had then refused to return the money sent to her by her fiancé with which to start a home.

Edward John Clarke, an accountant, living at Canonbury, a London suburb, sought to recover $500 from Miss Maud Maylin, residing in Harringay, another suburb.

Mr. Duncan, Clarke's counsel, said the plaintiff revisited this country on leave from Brazil in 1912. He met the defendant and became engaged to her. Before going back to Brazil he opened a bank account in her name, and arranged that in his absence $50 monthly should be forwarded to her out of his salary by the London office of his employers. The idea was that this money should be banked until $2,500 had accumulated, and that Clarke should then return to London and the marriage take place.

Sums of $50 continued to be forwarded to Miss Maylin monthly, said counsel, in accordance with this arrangement, and, in addition, Clarke gave the young woman $50 for a holiday and money for the purchase of jewelry.

After $500 had been paid in this way, Clarke lost his appointment in Brazil and returned to England. Trouble then arose, counsel said, about a German who was paying attention to Miss Maylin, and ultimately the engagement was broken off. Clarke demanded the return of the money paid under the marriage arrangement, but Miss Maylin contended that she had received it as a gift.

The plaintiff, under cross-examination, said he opened the bank account in the defendant's name because he trusted her implicitly.

Miss Maylin, in her evidence, said that, being out of a situation, she drew most of the money out of the bank and spent it.

Judge Woodfall said it was a remarkable story for a young woman to stand up in the witness box and tell. In the whole course of his experience he had never heard of such an arrangement. He decided that the money was placed in Miss Maylin's hands in trust, and he gave judgment for the plaintiff, with costs.

500 Ministers See "Polygamy."

A resolution to support the antipolygamy movement of the various organizations back of the Gillette bill to make polygamy a Federal crime, was adopted by 500 clergymen at yesterday afternoon's performance of the play "Polygamy" at the Park Theatre. The ministers attended the performance at the invitation of the managers of the drama, and at the end of the second act Dr. Walter Laidlaw, Secretary of the Federation of Churches; Rabbi Nathan Krass, and Dr. Daniel Martin made short addresses in favor of the bill.

Steamer Zealand in Collision.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 23.—The Red Star Line steamer Zealand, which had just sailed for Portland, Me., came back and anchored in the river today after having been slightly damaged in a collision with the British steamship El Paraguayo.

Passengers from Liverpool.

Among the passengers arriving yesterday on the Lusitania from Liverpool were:

W. H. Abbott, R. J. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Alexander, R. W. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Alter, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Anderson, J. G. Apcar, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Arbuthnot, Miss H. M. Arbuthnot, Capt. A. C. Baker, J. C. Baldwin, Baron de Beville, Miss Mary C. Bishop, Mrs. W. A. Burton, Miss Gwendolyn Burton, Mrs. H. F. Chipman, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Curwen, E. J. Durham, Dr. and Mrs. Richard Derby, Lieut. E. St. J. Greble, the Hon. Mrs. F. Guest, Mr. and Mrs. R. Harper C. Norman Jones, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Lee, W. G. Lyddon, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. March, Lady Moor, F. B Newell, J. W. Norcross, H. Auliffe Owen, Mrs. Walter Hines Page, Irving Rouse, Charles M. Schwab, Mrs. W. D. Straight, Mrs. J. J. Townsend, John Wanamaker, Jr., Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, T. A. Russell, and H. H. Williamson.

LOPOKOVA APPEARS IN A SILLY PLAY

Little Russian Danseuse Goes in for Acting in "Just Herself."

BUT SHE ALSO DANCES

Which Provides the Most Pleasing Moments in an Inexpert Comedy by Ethel Watts Mumford.

JUST HERSELF. A comedy in three acts, by Ethel Watts Mumford, with Lydia Lopokova. At the Playhouse.

Myron Kendal	Frederic Thomas
Loring Addison	Aldrich Bowker
Jack Addison	Malcolm Duncan
Pike	France Bendtsen
Louis	Henry Morley
William	R. L. Craddock
Charles	Harold Stoddard
Mrs. Myron Kendall	Eleanor Gordon
Euphemia Kendal	Lydia Lopokova
Mrs. Loring Addison	Olive Temple
Mrs. Phelan	Kate Mayhew
Emily Griswold	Aletha Walters

Lydia Lopokova, known here for several seasons as a delightfully graceful and spirited dancer, was presented to New York as an actress last evening. The occasion was the production at the Playhouse of "Just Herself," a comedy in three acts by Ethel Watts Mumford. Perhaps it was called "Just Herself" because it was either made just for Miss Lopokova or at least ruthlessly altered to fit. Whatever the process, the product is a poor excuse for introducing the little dancer as an actress. How good an actress she is or may become, it would be monstrously unfair to judge by her appearance in the new piece at the Playhouse. As the small, rebellious heroine of "Just Herself," she displays much piquant charm of personality and little variety.

Of the play as an evening's entertainment, it must be said that its most pleasing moments come when the story is temporarily put aside, the stage fairly well cleared, and Lopokova is left to dance her way into the good graces of the people across the footlights. Decidedly its most amusing moments come when the comedy can be observed making uneasy preparations for these displays of Lopokova's original art.

In this respect "Just Herself" recalls nothing so persistently as the plays produced at the old Portsmouth Theatre under the régime of the great Vincent Crummles, when Nicholas Nickleby as the unblushing adapter was obliged not only to feature "the pump and the washing tubs" but, even in the midst of heart-rending melodrama, to suspend the grief in the interests of the pirouetting of the Infant Phenomenon.

So when Euphemia Kendal in "Just Herself" is feeling particularly low in her mind, nothing cheers her up like indulging in a good, heartening toe dance. And in the very end she tests her sweetheart's devotion by whirling about the room before settling finally in his arms. The dancing is charming, but it might be still more charming if it were accompanied simply by an orchestra instead of by the text of this futile play.

Many of the lines, especially in the earlier part, are bright, but they shine through clouds. The story of "Just Herself" is that of a girl educated since childhood in radical Berlin, and when she comes back to America her head is filled with notions calculated to shock dear old, conservative Southampton, L. I. Euphemia finds the conditions of her father's household there all too hypocritical and confining, and she runs away to marry a chauffeur named Smith. He turns out to be no chauffeur at all, but a neighboring millionaire's son in disguise, and it is in his arms that she is left—after the last dance.

As a player, the new star of "Just Herself" does not suffer in the least from being outshone by her supporting company.

HELD 'TONIGHT'S THE NIGHT'

G. W. Lederer Attached Scenery, but Lee Shubert Gave a Bond.

The English musical comedy company playing "Tonight's The Night," which will begin its New York engagement at the Shubert Theatre tonight, returned to New York yesterday afternoon from New Haven, where the opening performances were held after Lee Shubert, the theatrical manager, had put up a bond of $25,000 which was necessary before the company was permitted to take its scenery from the Shubert Theatre in the Connecticut city.

The trouble came as a result of a suit brough by George W. Lederer, who claims that Grossmith and Laurillard, the English producers of "Tonight's The Night," owe him a large sum of money as a result of the production of "Potash and Perlmutter," which they made in London. Both Mr. Grossmith and Mr. Laurillard, who are here with the new play, deny the Lederer claim. Yesterday morning as they were preparing to depart from New Haven Mr. Lederer attached the scenery and properties of "Tonight's The Night." The English managers said last night that the claim would be fought in the courts.

PLAY EARNINGS IN TRUST.

Master to Decide Validity of Liebler Assignment of "Grumpy."

Judge Hough approved yesterday in the Federal District Court a stipulation between Irving M. Dittenhoefer, receiver for the Liebler Company, and Frank S. Gannon, Jr., concerning the earnings of the play "Grumpy" at the Plymouth Theatre, Boston. The Liebler Company had the contract with Cyril Maude for the presentation of this play until last September. Then it assigned its interest to Mr. Gannon to secure the payment of promissory notes amounting to $15,000.

Robert L. Redfield has been appointed special master, and directed to inquire into the validity of that assignment, and until he has decided the proceeds of the play will be deposited with a trust company to his order.

THEATRICAL NOTES.

A five-reel movie drama made from Bayard Veiller's play, "The Fight," will soon be exhibited by George Lederer.

The one hundredth performance of "The Law of the Land" will take place this afternoon at the Forty-eighth Street Theatre.

Charles Klein was among the passengers on the Baltic, which sailed yesterday. Before leaving, Mr. Klein signed contracts with John Cort and Lee Shubert for the production of a new play next season.

Margaret Illington will appear at the Harris Theatre in Henry Arthur Jones's new play, "The Lie," for the benefit of the Hospital for Deformities and Joint Diseases, on Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 12.

Ethel Barrymore has arranged for a Christmas tree in the big chorus dressing room of the Palace tonight for the employes of the theatre. The stagehands, musicians, ushers, and other members of the house staff will be remembered by the headliner.

"Sari," for the first time since it closed its run at the New Amsterdam Theatre last June, returns to New York tonight, when Henry W. Savage offers it for a special Christmas engagement at the Grand Opera House. The operetta will be at the Grand tonight, Christmas, and Saturday only. The company is headed by Mizzi Hajos and Charles Meakins.

At the Lyric Theatre tonight the one hundredth performance of "The Only Girl" will occur, and Victor Herbert will conduct the orchestra. After the performance the company, together with some invited friends, will enjoy a Christmas tree and a supper served on the stage.

At the invitation of Raymond L. Ditmars, Curator of Reptiles at the New York Zoological Park, and the management of Wallack's Theatre, 100 orphans from the Protestant Episcopal Home will attend the matinee today of Curator Ditmars's wild animal life pictures.

"The Little Princess," by Frances Hodgson Burnett, will be revived tomorrow afternoon by the Children's Educational Theatre in the auditorium of the Washington Irving High School. The performance will be repeated tomorrow night and again on New Year's night.

MME. RAPPOLD AS AIDA.

Replaces Mme. Destinn, Who Has a Cold—Martinelli, Radames.

At the Metropolitan Opera House last night was given the first performance in the regular subscription series of Verdi's "Aïda," with the added cause for interest in the fact that a last-minute substitution brought Mme. Marie Rappold into the title rôle in place of Mme. Destinn, who had expected to appear, but found late yesterday afternoon that her cold continued its ill-effects. Mr. Martinelli was heard as Radames, Mme. Ober as Amneris, Miss Curtis as the Priestess, Mr. Amato as Amonasro, Mr. Rossi as the King, Mr. Didur as Ramfis, and Mr. Bada as the Messenger, while Mr. Toscanini conducted.

In spite of the fact that two of the stars who generally give lustre to this opera were not in the cast, last night's audience must have felt that it was an altogether satisfactory and interesting performance. Mme. Rappold, who was making her first appearance of the season with opportunity for preparation that is not generally considered ample, could hardly be blamed for not feeling entirely comfortable, a state of mind which she showed in the first act. Thereafter, however, she was at her ease. Though she did not perhaps exhibit all the warmth and passion in voice and action that the rôle gives scope for, it was only by a small degree that her performance missed highest effectiveness. After the first act her voice, in volume, purity of tone, exactness of intonation and discreet phrasing met the requirements of even so exacting a stage as the Metropolitan's.

Mr. Martinelli's Radames is this season a rôle of real power, and foreshadows the day when the public will accept him as one of the finest exponents of it. If it is true that he has modeled it faithfully after a more famous confrere's, it is equally true that not every tenor would be equal to a recognizable copy. The others in the cast are familiar to the public in their rôles, and exhibited the excellences that were already known of them, which may also be said of the conductor's work and that of the chorus and the stage direction.

LUSITANIA HELD BY GALES.

Cunarder Brings 4,300 Sacks of Christmas Mail.

The Cunarder Lusitania arrived yesterday afternoon from Liverpool twenty-four hours late, after one of the stormiest passages in Capt. Daniel Dow's experience. Heavy westerly gales and high seas which swept over the liner's decks fore and aft were encountered the whole way across. The distance of 3,006 miles was made in 6 days 17 hours and 45 minutes at an average speed of 18.92 knots. There were 917 passengers on board and 4,300 sacks of mail.

Baron de Beville of Red Bank, N. J., returned from France, where he had gone to see his son enter the army.

Dr. C. T. Chen, former Chinese Minister of Finance, who has been on a mission for his Government in Europe, arrived on the Lusitania on his way home, accompanied by his wife and three children.

James C. Stewart, President of the Stewart Construction Company of 30 Church Street, returned from a trip to London, where he had been to give out contracts for steamships and tugboats for Galveston and Texas railroads. He said he had accepted contracts for construction work on the other side, but could not discuss the details.

Another passenger on the Cunarder was Paul Le Faivre, for six years French Minister to Mexico, who was returning after six months' absence to dedicate the new French hospital in Mexico City.

MARK BIRMINGHAM DEAD.

Mine Owner and California Banker Was a Masonic Veteran.

Mark Birmingham, owner of the controlling interest in the famous old Mariposa Mine and more recently, through success in a long-fought lawsuit, chief owner of the Candelaria gold and silver mines at Durango, Mexico, died in this city yesterday at an advanced age.

He was one of four brothers, sons of David Birmingham of Montgomery County, N. Y., and went West in the gold rush of 1849. Mr. Birmingham made a fortune and became a banker in Marysville and later in San Francisco, Cal., and through his friendship with Gen. John C. Frémont acquired his interest in the Mariposa.

He was the oldest member of California Lodge No. 1 of Masons, a Shriner, and a member of the order of Masonic Veterans. He was married twice, his second wife, who was Miss Isabel Bond of Philadelphia, with six children, one of whom is David Walton Birmingham of this city, survive him. His surviving brother, the Rev. Daniel M. Birmingham, is the father of Ernest Birmingham, publisher of The Fourth Estate.

Mrs. Ellen Marie Cole Kellogg.

Mrs. Ellen Maria Cole Kellogg, widow of Daniel Kellogg of distinguished Colonial ancestry, died on Tuesday at the Kellogg homestead in Skaneateles, N. Y., in her ninety-fifth year. She was born in New Bedford, Mass., and was a daughter of Thomas and Maria Cole. Her father was twelve years old during the war of the Revolution and drove an ox cart for the Commissary Department of Washington's army. Mrs. Kellogg was a direct descendant of John Alden. Her three maternal uncles were all soldiers in the revolutionary war. Her husband, Daniel Kellogg, died twenty-two years ago. He was a member of the old New England Kellogg family. Mrs. Kellogg's original ancestor was James Cole, who was mentioned as "James Coale" in the records of Plymouth Colony in 1633 as one of the "freemen." Mrs. Kellogg is survived by three sons, Andrew H. Kellogg of 329 West Seventy-fifth Street, Walter H. and Thomas C. Kellogg, and a daughter, Miss Laura M. Kellogg of Skaneateles.

William T. Purdy Drops Dead.

William T. Purdy of 9 Mt. Morris Park West, senior member of the firm of James Purdy & Sons, and active in the affairs of Harlem for the last forty years, dropped dead yesterday from heart disease at Lenox Avenue and 125th Street. Mr. Purdy was born in this city and was in his sixty-fifth year. With his brother he succeeded to his father's business, which was founded more than forty years ago, and now consists of nine bakeries in the Harlem District of Third Avenue. Mr. Purdy was Vice President of the Harlem Savings Bank and had formerly been Vice President of the Twelfth Ward Bank, Treasurer of the Harlem Board of Trade, and Vice President of the Harlem Republican Club.

Body Identified as H. Barker, Actor

The body of a man known as "Murphy the Man of Mystery" for the eight years he lived in a lodging house at 852 First Avenue and who died in Bellevue Hospital on Monday was identified yesterday as that of Hugh Barker of Boston, Mass., an actor who appeared several years ago under the name of Bert Strong. Identification was made by friends who arranged to care for the body.

Barker, it is understood, had a wife and daughter, both actresses, whose whereabouts have not been learned.

Girls in Manual High Meet.

Entries closed yesterday for the seventh annual meet of the Manual Training High School, and there will be 400 competitors on Saturday evening at the Fourteenth Regiment Armory. There are sixteen events closed to the Manual High School students, and two events, 220-yard dash and 1,320-yard run, both handicap, closed to the members of the Fourteenth Regiment. There will be a relay race and 300-yard run open to the ex-students of Manual High School, and many Manual graduates who are now in colleges are expected home for the holidays and will enter these events. The feature event is the relay open to high and preparatory schools around New York City. An innovation will be a folk dance by girl students. For a long time the school authorities have been planning a way for the girls to participate in the big annual carnival and the folk dance was arranged. Much interest is being taken in the decorations of the boxes, and a prize has been offered for the best.

ALFRED H. LEWIS, AUTHOR, IS DEAD

Famous for His "Wolfville" Stories and "The Boss," a Study of Tammany Hall.

BEGAN CAREER AS LAWYER

While Traveler and Editor in Far West, He Gathered Material for His Picturesque Books.

Alfred Henry Lewis, the author and newspaper man, who made the quaint, picturesque characters of the old West immortal in his "Wolfville" books, died yesterday at his home, 437 West 148th Street. He had been ill for several weeks with intestinal trouble, and his wife and brothers, William E. and Irving J. Lewis, as well as Dr. William E. Cuff, his physician, were with him to the end.

Alfred Henry Lewis was born in Cleveland, Ohio, and was in his fifty-seventh year. He was educated to be a lawyer and stood first in his class of twenty-two wnen examined by the Supreme Court at Columbus, Ohio, on taking his examination for the bar.

At the age of 23 he was Prosecuting Attorney of Cleveland and at the expiration of his term spent a year in the Far West. Mr. Lewis traveled and lived in New Mexico, Arizona, and Western Texas, and it was during these rambles that he met the characters he later made famous in his novels.

While in New Mexico he became editor in chief and the rest of the staff of The Mora County Pioneer. The paper was published by two printers on a hand press, and this was his first newspaper work. Later he took charge of The Las Vegas Optic while the regular editor was unfit for duty. It is said that his first issue nearly caused a riot in the town, as he showed by the relation of one incident in his own "Confessions of a Newspaper Man." He says: "As I cheerfully evolved these children of my fancy, a note was handed in. It ran:

"Editor Optic—I read your paper only when I am drunk. Yours truly, Alonzo Green."

"Writing a paragraph to the effect that Alonzo was, indubitably, from his own showing, the miscreant who had been annoying The Optic under the nom de plume of 'Constant Reader' and that the editor was glad to know his right name so that on his day off he might seek him out and beat him with a stick. I sent it in to the printers marked 'First Page. Must,' and took up the burdens of life again."

He then went to Kansas City and began the practice of law and became a friend of many of the leading newspaper men of that city. It was this friendship that led him into writing the first of the well-known "Wolfville" stories.

Mr. Lewis was sitting one evening in the office of the city editor of The Kansas City Times when he told one of the picturesque incidents of his year's travel in the Far West. The editor suggested that he write it for his paper, and Mr. Lewis did so. The result was the creation of the "Old Cattleman" who carried the narrative in the story which was the birth of "Wolfville," and the story attracted wide attention. Newspapers from all over the country wrote for the rights to publish his next stories. He was not paid for the first story, but for the second received $360, and decided to become an author.

In the beginning he wrote under the pen name of "Dan Quin," and it was not until he went to Washington as correspondent for The Kansas City Times in 1891 that he began to write under his own name.

Mr. Lewis met Col. Roosevelt in 1893, when the latter was a Civil Service Commissioner in Washington, and it is said that they immediately became close friends. Col. Roosevelt prevailed upon him to gather his "Wolfville" stories together, and these were published in book form. Col. Roosevelt edited the manuscript of this book and the late Frederick Remington did the illustrations.

Mr. Lewis was also Washington correspondent for The Chicago Times, which was later sold to The Chicago Herald, and on this occasion he was asked to resign as Washington correspondent and become an editor of The Chicago Times-Herald. He refused, and was placed in charge of the Washington bureau of The New York Journal.

He became interested in the Thaw case and wrote several magazine articles on that subject.

One of Mr. Lewis's best-known books is "The Boss," which was the result of his close study of Tammany Hall, one of the first tasks he set himself upon coming to this city. He became intimate with the leaders of that organization, and it is said came nearer to having an intimate knowledge of Richard Croker, then the "boss" of the Hall, than any other writer.

Mr. Lewis wrote in all eighteen books. His first was "Wolfville: Episodes of Cowboy Life," and his last, published in 1913, was "Faro Nell and Her Friends." Besides the "Wolfville" stories he wrote "Black Lion Inn," "Peggy O'Neal," "The Sunset Trail," "Confessions of a Detective," "Story of Paul Jones," "The Throwback," "When Men Grow Tall," "An American Patrician—Aaron Burr," and "Apaches of New York."

Obituary Notes.

ROBERT McARTHUR, agent of the Pepperell Manufacturing Company for twenty-three years and one of the best known textile manufacturers in Biddeford, Me., died suddenly there yesterday, aged 76 years. He had been connected as agent or Superintendent with textile factories at Millville, N. J.; Sutton, Mass., and Grosvenordale, Conn.

Mrs. JULIA MAY COLLER, a member of Kedron Chapter No. 224, Order of the Eastern Star, died on Tuesday at her home, 60 Bay Thirty-second Street, Bensonhurst, aged 46 years.

Mrs. ELIZABETH HASBROUCK BLACKMER, widow of George A. Blackmer, died yesterday at her residence, 213½ Bergen Street, Brooklyn.

NELSON DOW, who laid out and built the old Bushwick Railroad line from Broadway to Ridgewood, Brooklyn, died at his home in Clarenceville, L. I., on Monday from old age. He was born in Milton, N. Y., eighty-one years ago and had lived in Clarenceville for half a century. Prior to his retirement twenty years ago Mr. Dow had been in the employ of the Bushwick road for forty-five years. He left a daughter and six sons.

ROBERT ANDREW DONALD, a fireman attached to Engine Company 257 at Blissville, L. I., is dead at his home, 2,343 Putnam Avenue, Brooklyn.

Mrs. MARY MAHER COLEMAN, wife of Robert W. Coleman, died on Tuesday at her residence, 1,638 Seventy-second Street. She was 28 years of age.

Mrs. AUGUSTA S. FOSTER, for many years identified with the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities and the old Union for Christian Work, died at her home, 861 Kenmore Place, Flatbush, on Tuesday. She was born in Brooklyn, and was formerly a teacher in Public School 12. She was the widow of Robert Foster, who was for thirty-five years Superintendent of the Polytechnic Institute. Mrs. Foster is survived by three daughters, Mrs. P. Jefferson Valentine, a teacher in Erasmus Hall High School; Miss Mabel Foster, a teacher in the Brooklyn Training School for Teachers, and Mrs. J. Lester Woodbridge.

EDWARD S. PARSONS, a well-known resident of Islip, L. I., died at his home in Grant Avenue on Tuesday from heart disease. Mr. Parson was born in Boston 75 years ago, and was long a resident of Brooklyn. He celebrated his golden wedding anniversary three years ago.

LOUIS WENZ, an expert maker of shoes and active in politics in the Twenty-eighth Ward, is dead at his home, 1,335 Gates Avenue, Brooklyn, aged 74 years.

Mrs. ABBY ALLGEO HAMBLIN, widow of George Hamblin, a builder, is dead at her home, 945 Herkimer Street, Brooklyn, aged 80 years. Mrs. Hamblin was a member of an old Flatbush family, and was born on her father's farm, the homestead of which is still on Flatbush Avenue, near Bedford Avenue. Her daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Baldwin, survives her.

JOHN JESSBERGER, a retired ropemaker of Brooklyn, died from apoplexy on Monday at his home, 28 St. Nicholas Avenue. He was 66 years old.

Mrs. SOPHIE KALMAN, wife of Charles Kalman, a wholesale silk merchant in Manhattan, died at her residence, 1,851 Eighty-fourth Street, Bath Beach, on Tuesday. She was born in Reading, Penn., and had lived in Brooklyn for many years.

JAMES ELSDEN WORTHINGTON, an expert accountant, is dead at his home, 312 Lafayette Avenue, Brooklyn, aged 48 years.

OLIVER D. COMBS, formerly a builder of Sea Cliff, L. I., died at his home in Shelton, Conn., on Tuesday. He was 55 years old, and left a wife, a daughter, and son.

JOHN GEORGE RANDOLPH, 90 years old, died yesterday at his home, 81 Woodland Avenue, Summit, N. J. Mr. Randolph, who retired from business in New York forty-five years ago, had lived in Summit for the last six years. He lost his sight three years ago. He is survived by his widow and two daughters.

Miss JENNIE NEWCOMB, an Adjutant in the Salvation Army, died at the Hartford (Conn.) Hospital yesterday following an operation for appendicitis. She was a graduate of Wellesley and had been with the Hartford corps since September. She was editor of the Salvation Army Sunday school lessons. The funeral will be held at army headquarters in Boston.

Mrs. LOUISA LASSEN, widow of Christian Lassen, died at her residence, 162 Clermont Avenue, Brooklyn, on Tuesday from pleuropneumonia. Mrs. Lassen was born in Sweden and had resided in Brooklyn for more than thirty-five years. She is survived by three sons, Charles, Oscar, and Fred, and a daughter, Ida.

DAVID KLINE APGAR, an employe of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company for the last fifty years, died yesterday at the home of his sister, Mrs. William Cregar, at Lebanon, N. J. He was in his seventy-fifth year and apoplexy caused his death. He is survived by three sons, one of whom is Dr. Charles F. Apgar of Pittsburgh, and by one daughter.

JOHN CRAIG BAKER, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Baker of 207 Walnut Street, Montclair, N. J., died on Monday in Minneapolis, Minn., in his twenty-fifth year. He was a student at the University of Minnesota. Mr. Baker was born in Montclair and was a graduate of the High School and the Kimball Union Academy at Meriden, N. H.

JOHN H. SLINGERLAND, until his retirement five years ago Superintendent of Masonry of New York City for twenty-five years, died yesterday at his home, 205 East 198th Street, in his seventieth year. He was born at Slingerland, Albany County, N. Y., which has been the home of his family for 250 years. Mr. Slingerland enlisted in the 177th New York State Volunteers during the civil war and served under Gen. Banks at New Orleans.

Marriage and death notices intended for insertion in The New York Times may be telephoned to 1000 Bryant.

Engaged.

HUNTER—GREGORY.—Dr. Walter E. Gregory announces the engagement of his daughter, Beatrice Hathaway, to Joseph Ward Hunter.

SWINTON — HALSEY. — Gertrude Halsey to Loudon Swinton.

WILMERDING — LAVELLE. — Anna L. Lavelle to C. Mortimer Wilmerding.

Married.

SCHWABACH—CUKOR.—Mr. and Mrs. Victor F. Cukor announce the marriage of their daughter, Elsie R. Cukor to Mr. Alfred K. Schwabach on Dec. 23, 1914.

Died.

BIRMINGHAM.—Mark, on Dec. 23, in his eighty-eighth year. Funeral services at his late residence, 130 West 57th St., on Saturday, Dec. 26, at 10 A. M. San Francisco papers please copy.

CLARK.—On Dec. 21, Sarah Gardner Clark, in her 84th year. Funeral services at Chapel of the Home, 104th St. and Amsterdam Av., on Saturday, Dec. 26, at 11 A. M.

COOKE.—On Wednesday, Dec. 23, 1914, John T. Cooke. Funeral services to be held at his late residence, 9 St. James Place, Brooklyn, N. Y., on Saturday, Dec. 26, at 3 P. M.

COSTIKYAN.—On Tuesday, Dec. 22, Mariam, wife of the late Dr. H. S. Costikyan, in her 63d year. Funeral services at Church of the Intercession, Broadway and 155th St., Thursday, at 12 o'clock.

DISBROW.—At New Rochelle, N. Y., on Tuesday, Dec. 22, 1914, Myrtilla Mead, wife of the late Livingston Disbrow, in her 74th year. Funeral service at her home, North Av., New Rochelle, on Thursday, at 1:30 P. M.

DONOVAN.—On Dec. 22, John, beloved son of Joseph and Sarah Donovan. Funeral from his late residence, 420 East 141st St., on Saturday, at 9:30 A. M., thence to St. Pius's Church, where a solemn mass of requiem will be offered for the repose of his soul.

DUDLEY.—Dec. 23, Delia Agnes Dudley, widow of Joseph Dudley, in her 73d year. Funeral services at the Chapel of the Home, 104th St. and Amsterdam Av., Thursday, Dec. 24, 2 P. M.

FLOYD-JONES. — Suddenly, at Massapequa, N. Y., Dec. 21, 1914, Antoinette Floyd-Jones. Funeral services at Grace Church, Massapequa, on Thursday at 3:15 P. M. Carriages will be waiting at Massapequa on the arrival of trains leaving Pennsylvania Station at 2 P. M. and Brooklyn (Flatbush Av.) at 1:56 P. M.

FOSTER.—On Tuesday, Dec. 22, Augusta S. Foster, widow of the late Robert Foster. Funeral from her late residence, 861 Kenmore Place, (East 21st St.,) Flatbush, Brooklyn, Thursday, Dec. 24, at 2:30 P. M. Interment at the convenience of the family.

HALLOCK.—On Dec. 23, Elizabeth A. Hallock, at her late residence, 520 Nostrand Av., Brooklyn. Newburg Journal, Orange County, Washingtonville Record papers please copy.

HAYDEN.—On the 23d inst., Mary Emma, beloved mother of Joseph W. Hayden and the late John W. Hayden, aged 68 years. Funeral services from her late residence, 1,913 Benson Av., Bath Beach, Brooklyn, on Saturday, Dec. 26, at 8 P. M.

JOHNSTON.—On Dec. 23d, 1914, of pneumonia, at Williams College Infirmary, Alexander Hutchins, son of George and Marion Hutchins Johnston, aged 20 years. Funeral at Rochester, N. Y.

KELLOGG.—Suddenly, at Skaneateles, N. Y., Ellen Maria Cole, widow of Daniel Kellogg, in the 94th year of her age. Funeral services at Skaneateles, Saturday, Dec. 26, 1914.

LASSEN.—On Tuesday, Dec. 22, 1914, Louisa Lassen, widow of the late Christian Lassen. Funeral from her late residence, 162 Clermont Av., Brooklyn, Saturday afternoon, Dec. 26, 1914, at 2 o'clock. Interment at Evergreen Cemetery.

LEVY.—On Wednesday, the 23d, after a short illness, Sarah L. Levy, beloved wife of Samuel H. and mother of William L. Levy. Funeral from her late residence, 46 West 76th St., Friday morning, Dec. 25, at 10 o'clock. Albany papers please copy.

McNAMARA.—On Dec. 22, suddenly, Mary McNamara, (nee Roemer,) beloved wife of Bernard McNamara and daughter of John Roemer, at her late residence, 470 West 165th St. Funeral Saturday, Dec. 26, at 9 A. M., thence to Church of St. Rose of Lima, where a mass will be offered for her soul.

MEYER. — On Tuesday, Dec. 22, Adolph Meyer, in his 81st year, at his late residence 4,041 Lowerre Place, Williamsbridge. Funeral service at 160 East 126th St. Thursday at 1 P. M.

MILLER.—Mary A., on Dec. 21, aged 69 years, beloved wife of the late Nicholas Miller. Funeral from residence, 1,041 Ogden Av., Highbridge, Bronx, Thursday, 10 A. M., thence to Church of the Sacred Heart, Highbridge, where a solemn requiem mass will be offered for the repose of her soul.

POWERS.—On Dec. 22. Phillip J., beloved husband of Mary Powers and brother of Annie Welsh. Funeral from his late residence, 11 Manhattan St., Saturday morning, 9:30 A. M.; thence to St. Joseph's Church, 125th St., where a requiem mass will be offered for the repose of his soul. Interment at St. Raymond's Cemetery.

PURDY.—William Truslow, beloved husband of Bel Buchanan Purdy, suddenly on Dec. 23, 1914. Notice of funeral hereafter.

RENSHAW.—At Troy, N. Y., Dec. 21, 1914, Emma Conine Renshaw of Baltimore, Md., in her 79th year. Funeral services at Troy. Interment at Baltimore.

SIMPSON.—At Philadelphia, Dec. 23, 1914, Emma Lathers, wife of Matthew Vernon Simpson. Funeral notice hereafter.

SLINGERLAND.—Suddenly, on Dec. 23, at 205 East 198th St., in his 70th year, John H. Slingerland, member of Alexander Hamilton Post, G. A. R. Funeral services and interment at Slingerland, N. Y., Dec. 26, 1914.

SORENSEN.—On Dec. 19, 1914, Otto Sorensen, aged 44 years, beloved husband of Johane Sorensen. Services Woodlawn Cemetery, Sunday afternoon, Dec. 27, 1914, 2 o'clock.

WARD.—At East Orange, N. J., Dec. 23, 1914, Sophia Estelle Hewitt, wife of Josiah O. Ward, in her 72d year. Funeral services will be held at Grace Church, East Orange, Thursday, Dec. 24, at 2:30 P. M., on arrival of train leaving Hoboken, via D., L. & W. R. R., at 1:51 P. M.

WOHLGEMUTH.—On Dec. 22, in his 69th year, Meyer J. Wohlgemuth, beloved husband of Sarah and father of William, Richard, Alfred, and Blanche. Funeral from his late residence, 515 West 110th St., on Thursday, Dec. 24. 10 A. M.

ANDERSON.—Mary A., 298 West 137th St., Dec. 22. Funeral today.

BERGER.—Rudolph F., 503 West 138th St., Dec. 21. Funeral today, 2 P. M.

BLAUVELT.—Thomas A., Jr., Dec. 22, aged 62. Funeral service 352 East 145th St. today.

CALLAGHAN.—Norah, 451 East 135th St., Dec. 22. Funeral Dec. 26, 9:30 A. M.

DUFF.—William, Dec. 22, aged 23. Funeral 171 8th Av. today.

FEUSS.—Frederick, 23 West 126th St., Dec. 21, aged 48. Funeral today, 2 P. M.

HERST.—Allison D., 244 East 21st St., Dec. 21. Funeral private.

HURTY.—James M., 560 West 113th St., Dec. 22, aged 80. Funeral private.

KEHOE. — William H., 925 Jackson St., Bronx, Dec. 22.

McCARTHY.—Alice, 339 East 69th St., Dec. 21. Funeral today, 9 A. M.

MARTIN.—Margaret, 527 East 16th St., Dec. 21, aged 99. Funeral today, 10 A. M.

MEINZER. — Charles R., 346 East 50th St., Dec. 22, aged 17. Funeral today, 9:30 A. M.

NOLAN. — Michael J., 422 East 66th St., Dec. 22.

NOONAN.—Nora, 482 Hudson St., Dec. 22. Funeral today, 9 A. M.

PFEIFFER.—Francisca, 2,672 Prospect Av., Bronx, Dec. 22. Funeral today, 2 P. M.

REIDY.—Thomas, 525 East 83d St., Dec. 22. Funeral services today.

SCANLON.—Joseph J., 187 Franklin St., Dec. 22. Funeral today, 10 A. M.

STEVENSON.—Diana, West New Brighton, S. I., Dec. 21.

WILLIAMSON.—Lucretia H., 59 West 65th St., Dec. 22, aged 74. Funeral today, 10:30 A. M.

WILLMAN.—Lena, 2,476 8th Av., Dec. 21, aged 45.

WILSON.—Lawrence, 100 East 119th St., Dec. 21, aged 37.

Brooklyn.

BEDELL.—Samuel, 91A Somers St., Dec. 22, aged 53. Funeral today, 2 P. M.

BEHRINGER.—Walter, 58 Jefferson St., Dec. 22, aged 14. Funeral today, 2 P. M.

BINDRUM.—Mary, 1,892 Broadway, Dec. 21. Funeral tomorrow.

BLACKMER.—Elizabeth, 213½ Bergen St., Dec. 23. Funeral service today.

BOLTON.—Lydia A., 153 Richards St., Dec. 22. Funeral Dec. 27, 1 P. M.

COLEMAN.—Mary, 1,638 72d St., Dec. 22. Funeral today, 10 A. M.

COLLER.—Julia M., 60 Bay 32d St., Dec. 22, aged 46. Funeral private.

COLLIGAN.—Thomas F., 287 Park Av., Dec. 22.

DONOHUE.—Rose M., 1,436 38th St., Dec. 21

FITZGERALD.—John J., 163 Park Av., Dec. 22. Funeral today, 2:30 P. M.

GEORGI.—Gustave H., 857 East 34th St., Dec. 22. Funeral today, 11 A. M.

HAAG.—Daniel, 509 Onderdonk Av., Dec. 21. Funeral today, 2 P. M.

HANDTE.—Charles, 1,600 Greene Av., Dec. 22, aged 67. Funeral service today.

HARRISON.—Catherine, 533 9th St., Dec. 22.

HUNT.—Catherine, 111 Calyer St., Dec. 21, aged 87.

JESBERGER.—John, 29 St. Nicholas Av., Dec. 22, aged 66. Funeral today, 9 A. M.

LANE.—John, 583 Seneca Av., Dec. 22, aged 41. Funeral today, 9 A. M.

LEIMBACH.—William, 163 Eldert St., Dec. 22. Funeral today, 2:30 P. M.

McEVOY.—Catherine, 89 North Portland Av., Dec. 22. Funeral Dec. 26.

MURRAY.—Isabella, 168 Keap St., Dec. 22. Funeral today.

O'DONNELL.—William, St. John's Hospital, Dec. 22, aged 47. Funeral today, 2 P. M.

PULMAN.—Edwin J., 84 St. Felix St., Dec. 21. Funeral today, 2 P. M.

ROLSTON.—John G., 31 Oakland St., Dec. 21, aged 67.

RUBY.—Joseph G., 1,452 Bergen St., Dec. 21.

RYAN.—Kate, St. Mary's Hospital, Dec. 22, aged 50. Funeral today, 2:30 P. M.

SHILLING.—Minnie E., 275 Sterling St., Dec. 21, aged 46.

WADE.—Caroline, 41 Dikeman St., Dec. 22, aged 58. Funeral Dec. 26.

WORTHINGTON.—James E., 312 Lafayette Av., Dec. 21.

Hoboken, Jersey City, and Newark.

BERNARD.—William, Hoboken, Dec. 21, aged 54.

CASEY.—John F., 100 Van Reipen St., Jersey City, Dec. 23. Funeral tomorrow, 9 A. M.

COSTLEY.—Mary C., 83 Lincoln St., Jersey City, Dec. 22. Funeral today, 9 A. M.

DAMBACHER.—Alois A., 310 Bloomfield St., Hoboken, Dec. 22, aged 72. Funeral today, 2 P. M.

FOLEY.—Patrick J., 368 Central Av., Newark, Dec. 22.

FREUND.—Gustave, Jr., 6 Highland St., Newark, Dec. 23, aged 44.

GILSHION.—Bridget, 45 2d St., Newark, Dec. 23. Funeral Dec. 26, 8:30 A. M.

JACKSON.—Catherine, 220 Arlington Av., Jersey City, Dec. 22. Funeral Dec. 26, 11 A. M.

MARRON.—Mary, 387 Montgomery St., Jersey City, Dec. 22. Funeral Dec. 26, 9 A. M.

MARTIN.—Edna J., 80 Pacific St., Newark, Dec. 22, aged 23. Funeral service today.

PESALSKY.—Arthur, 630 South 19th St., Newark, Dec. 22, aged 14 months.

O'DEA.—Ellen, 723 Park Av., Hoboken, Dec. 22. Funeral today.

REID.—Cecelia, 333 Monroe St., Hoboken, Dec. 21, aged 4.

SHARKEY.—Arthur, 83 Lang St., Newark, Dec. 23. Funeral today, 2 P. M.

SIOHLER.—John N., Newark, Dec. 22, aged 32.

STAMMINGER.—Elisabeth L., 2,767 Boulevard, Jersey City, Dec. 23. Funeral private.

WALLACE.—John, 120 Monroe St., Hoboken, Dec. 21.

ZAPP.—Margaret F., Jersey City, Dec. 23. Funeral today, 2 P. M.

Long Island.

BONNEFOI.—Edward L., Great Neck, Dec. 22. Funeral today, 9 A. M.

ELY.—Susan M., Morris Park, Dec. 22, aged 30. Funeral today, 2 P. M.

DONALD.—Robert A., Blissville, Dec. 21, aged 33. Funeral today, 2:30 P. M.

DOW.—Nelson, Sr., Richmond Hill, Dec. 21, aged 81. Funeral today, 2 P. M.

HAFF.—Alvah W., Amityville, Dec. 23. Funeral Dec. 26, 2:30 P. M.

HILTON.—William T., Flushing, Dec. 21, aged 65.

Westchester County.

KEMP.—Charles E., Peekskill, Dec. 21, aged 71. Funeral today, noon.

PLATT.—William P., White Plains, Dec. 21. Funeral private.

In Memoriam.

COWEN.—The unveiling of the mausoleum for the late Abraham W. Cowen will take place Sunday, Dec. 27, at 2:30 o'clock at Washington Cemetery.

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DIES AT 117 YEARS IN JEWISH HOME

Mrs. Hannah Kosokoff Was Reputed to be the Oldest Woman in United States.

POSSESSED ALL HER SENSES

Fond of Telling of Napoleon's Campaigns—To be Buried in Shroud She Made When 65 Years Old.

Mrs. Hannah Kosokoff, reputed to be the oldest woman in this country, died at 11 o'clock Tuesday evening at the home of the Daughters of Israel of Harlem, 82 East 119th Street. According to her own statements and those of her relatives she was born in Kovno, Russia, on Dec. 7, 1797. Thus she was 117 years and 15 days old when she died.

No authentic records were found in Mrs. Kosokoff's possession to verify her statement as to age, but there was every reason, her friends said yesterday, to give the report credence. Mrs. Kosokoff was an intelligent woman, read incessantly, and had a fondness for history, they said. Her memory was remarkable and recalled incidents of her girlhood days and she often spoke of her age.

According to Dr. H. W. Honor of 54 East 122d Street, her physician, Mrs. Kosokoff would have lived longer if it had not been for one mistake that she made a few days ago. Against the advice of her physician she ate some solid food. Indigestion developed and she was too weak to withstand the congestion. She dropped into a peaceful sleep and only awakened from it a few minutes before she died.

One of the persons in the room, it appears, noticing her weakened condition, suggested that the relatives be summoned. Mrs. Kosokoff, with her usual alertness, heard the remark, opened her eyes, and remarked:

"Don't you fool yourself. I am not going to die yet." She died shortly after.

The old woman was in full possession of all her senses until the end. Miss Helen Kaletzsky, Secretary of the home, said yesterday that Mrs. Kosokoff could shout for her tea as loudly as a girl in her teens. She was alert in every way, she said.

"Mrs. Kosokoff could see a pin on the floor and always stooped to pick it up," said Miss Kaletzsky. "She never used glasses, never had headaches, never had a toothache, and was no trouble for us at all. She could have come downstairs for her meals, but within the last year she became such a curiosity that she preferred to remain in her room on the second floor. There she entertained her friends and relatives. She told them about Napoleon's campaigns in Russia and how she had been decorated by one of the Czars of Russia for bravery in rescuing a number of women from drowning. She could talk for a long time without tiring. I often told her that she would have made a fine suffragist speaker. That seemed to amuse her."

"To what do you attribute her great age?" Dr. Honor was asked.

"To her regularity of habits," replied Dr. Honor. "I have been in attendance at the home for the last two years and I saw Mrs. Kosokoff often. She told me that she had never worried in her life and that she had never missed a night's sleep. She went to bed at 10 o'clock every night and got up at 6 o'clock every morning. She ate everything that was offered, but her food during the last few years, of course, was somewhat limited.

"I thought she would die last July, when I was called in to attend to her. It was very hot and she seemed to be exhausted. I administered a small quantity of stimulant and she revived immediately. She was physically strong and she told me then that she had never been really ill a day of her life."

Max Einbinder of 850 First Avenue, a son-in-law of Mrs. Kosokoff, called at the home yesterday for the body. He said that Mrs. Kosokoff had married a tailor in Kief, Russia, and that there were four children. Her husband, he said, had died in Russia. Mrs. Kosokoff came to this country in 1882 and lived with the Einbinders in Henry Street and later in First Avenue. When the Daughters of Israel of Harlem opened the home in 1907 Mrs. Kosokoff was invited to stay there.

According to Einbinder, the four children are dead. He said that Mrs. Kosokoff had fourteen grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild. This great-great-grandchild is 8 months old, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Middlestein, who live in the Bronx.

Mrs. Kosokoff will be buried today in the Washington Cemetery in Brooklyn. She will wear a shroud made by her own hand when she was 65 years old.

AUTOS CAUSED THIS SUICIDE

Mr. Untermyer's Coachman Took Gas When Horses Were Sold.

Victor Christy, 40 years old, was a coachman, and a good one, too, but what's a coachman to do when gentlemen sell their horses and buy motor cars?

For six years Christy drove for Samuel Untermyer at Greystone, the lawyer's country place. The first of September automobiles displaced horses at Greystone. Christy looked for a new place. He had good references, but everywhere 'twas the same story, "No, we haven't any place. You know, we use a motor instead of horses now."

Tuesday night Christy left his lodgings at 715 Lexington Avenue, Manhattan, went up to Greystone, and spent the evening visiting and playing cards with his old friends in the servants' quarters. He stayed all night in a room the butler assigned to him. Yesterday morning the room was full of gas from an open jet and Christy was dead.

"A coachman killed himself up at Untermyer's," the police reported to Coroner Iles.

W. S. Barringer Discharged.

A man describing himself as William S. Barringer, 45 years old, an electrical engineer, of 515 West 145th Street, arrested on Dec. 17 on the charge of obtaining clothing by misrepresenting himself to Brooks Bros. of 936 Broadway, was discharged yesterday by Magistrate House in West Side Court. A representative of Brooks Bros. said the clothing, valued at $77.25, had been paid for. It had been charged that Barringer, in obtaining the clothing, represented it was for Capt. S. A. Price of the United States Army, who is now in Texas.

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SOLD DRUGS TO CHILDREN.

Police Set a Trap for Men Who Beset Public Schools.

Parents of pupils in Harlem's public and parochial schools have complained to the police that their sons and daughters have shown signs of drug poisoning. Some of the children have admitted buying powders from men who plied their trade outside the schools. Yesterday Detectives Caspers, Phelan, and McCullough rounded up six prisoners for selling or having drugs in their possession.

John Grasso of 2,945 West Thirty-first Street, Coney Island; Henry Schuster of 2,148 Second Avenue, Edward Cluck, of 1,514 Washington Avenue, and Frank Smith of 24 East 104th Street were accused of selling drugs. William Berlin of 283 West 114th Street and William Potter of 240 West Twentieth Street were charged with having drugs in their possession. Clarence Watson, a negro, of 150 East Niney-eighth Street, who was arrested Tuesday night, could not be arraigned with the others before Magistrate Herbert in Harlem Court, as he is in Harlem Hospital suffering from drug poisoning and from the effects of a fall suffered when he dived out of a window to escape Detective Caspers.

Magistrate Herbert held Cluck in $1,000 bail, Potter in $500, and the others in $2,500 each for examination today.

Caspers told the Magistrate that he had found Grasso selling drugs to children outside of a public school in East 106th Street, and had discovered twenty-three packages of powders in his pocket.

"It's a good thing for you that I have not the final jurisdiction in your case," declared the Magistrate. "I would give you twenty years in prison if I found you guilty after trial."

Schuster was arrested in front of St. Cecelia's parochial school in East 106th Street. According to Caspers, he was peddling powders to school children. Caspers said he found ten packages of drugs in his pocket, and that Schuster remarked after his arrest:

"It's the easiest way to make money at present."

Cluck was caught in front of 167 East Ninety-ninth Street, and Smith at 105th Street and Third Avenue. Both were selling drugs, according to the police. Phelan and McCullough followed Berlin to 283 West 114th Street, where, they said, they found him engaged with several men and women visitors. Potter was among these, and, as he had drugs in his pocket, was arrested also. Boxes of drugs and materials used in their preparation were found in the room, according to the detectives.

Watson was caught by Caspers, who chased him into the apartment house at 2,027 Second Avenue after firing two shots from his revolver at the fugitive. Watson burst into the apartment of Mrs. Ida Bernett on the second floor and dived into the yard, carrying away the window, sash, and all. According to the detective, when he came on the man in the yard Watson swallowed a lot of powder which doctors at Harlem Hospital said was cocaine or heroin.

SUSPECT AN OPIUM TRUST.

Anonymous Notes Betray Those Not in "the Ring."

Kasuji Toda, a salesman for a Japanese firm in this city, and Kaida Mitto, a butler, were arrested yesterday charged with smuggling opium. They were involved in the case which led on Tuesday to the arrest of Murphy, the storekeeper of the White Star liner Adriatic, and Toro Sata, a Japanese magazine writer.

The customs authorities say they have found in the course of their investigations that there is a trust in opium dealing; that is to say, if a man outside the regular opium ring begins to sell the drug he is sure to have his doings reported to the police. According to the customs inspectors, just as soon as it became known in Chinatown that a new set was selling opium at cut rates a telephone message was sent to the Custom House telling where the guilty men might be found.

WOULD DIVERT POOR BOYS.

Schiff Says Pranks of Rich Youths Are Called Larceny on East Side.

Mortimer L. Schiff and Judge Samuel Greenbaum appealed to the young men of the east side, at a meeting in the Straus Auditorium of the Educational Alliance last night, to work together to keep young boys from joining the east side gangs. They said the extension of the "big brother" movement was the best means of offsetting gang allurements.

"When we first started to take note of boys who went wrong," said Mr. Schiff, "we called them 'little criminals.' Later we adopted the name of 'juvenile delinquents.' Both titles are defective.

"As a matter of fact, the boyish spirits of our youngsters demand an outlet. If the youngster is well-to-do and goes to college, he may steal a barber pole and be excused. It is forgiven as a college prank. But if he is a poor boy and steals a peanut, then we call it 'larceny' and lock the boy up. Probably in his act he was having fun in the most exciting way he could find. We must find him new ways.

"Don't preach at the boys, but take them to baseball games, and look in at their homes and try to make their homes so the boys will want to be there instead of away from there at night. I hardly ever see a boy in court but what I'd like to have his parents there in his stead."

Judge Greenbaum said that the boys of the east side who were free from gang taint, ought to consider themselves a great army to rescue their companions who might be taking up evil ways.

CARDINAL AT NEGRO SCHOOL

Dedicates Gift of Katherine Drexel's Order in West 138th Street.

Cardinal Farley and a distinguished gathering of New York and Philadelphia Catholics yesterday took part in the opening of the convent and the parochial school for negro children connected with the Church of St. Mark the Evangelist at 65 West 138th Street.

The building, which will accommodate 500 children, is a gift of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, founded by its present head, Mother Katherine Drexel, twenty-five years ago. Mother Katherine was present yesterday, coming from the Mother House at Cornwells, Penn.

In a room where a Christmas tree had been prepared, the 300 pupils appeared in relays, sang and gave recitations. Following the children's entertainment, Cardinal Farley made an address and pronounced the benediction. He spoke highly of the negroes, said there had been many saints among them, and that all faces would be the same color in heaven. Christianity, he said, was the one thing which could solve the negro problem.

"Despite all that has been said about the colored people," he said, "they can never be accused of anything half so bad as the white people, who consider themselves representatives of a high culture, are now doing in Europe."

Among those attending were Mrs. Drexel Dalgren, Miss Josephine Drexel, Countess Iselin, Mrs. William Lummis, Miss Harriet Lummis, Miss Van Brugh, Mrs. Auguste Noel, Miss Bouvier, and Mrs. Mouritz F. Westergren.

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SEEK TO AMEND COMPENSATION LAW

Committee of National Civic Federation Puts Forward Six Changes in Behalf of Labor.

PLAN TO MAKE LAW A MODEL

Provisions of New York's Statute Will Be Submitted to the Legislators of Forty-one States.

More than half a dozen amendments to the Workmen's Compensation Law were proposed at a hearing held yesterday afternoon by the Workmen's Compensation Committee of the National Civic Federation at the headquarters of the Civic Federation in the Metropolitan Building.

The changes were suggested by representatives of labor organizations and employers who have now had time to see where the Compensation act may be improved. By coincidence most of the proposed amendments offered by the separate groups were indorsed by the Workmen's Compensation Department of the National Civic Federation, headed by August Belmont, which prepared independently a tentative draft of suggestions for changes in the law.

It was said at the hearing that the Workmen's Compensation Committee had done a remarkable work. The desire is to make the New York Workmen's Compensation law a model for other States, and its provisions, when adequately amended, are to be put in the hands of legislators of forty-one States who will meet next year. In order that the employes and employers may agree on these amendments, a conference will be held soon among five representatives of the State Federation of Labor, five representatives of employers, and five committeemen, the last ten to be selected by the Workmen's Compensation Committee, at which they will consider the necessary changes in the present law. Suggestions will be received by this conference from representatives of all labor and employers' organizations.

The preliminary conference yesterday disclosed what may be perhaps the most important changes proposed in the law:

First—When a man is laid off on account of disability for a period of more than four weeks he is to be paid from the beginning of the waiting period.

Second—State funds shall be the only form of insurance.

Third—Direct payment shall be made to the workman suffering disability, or, in case of death, to his beneficiaries.

Fourth—The waiting period, caused by disability, shall be cut off entirely.

Fifth—Employers shall furnish medical assistance to injured workmen without waiting for the employe to make demand for such.

Sixth—The compensation field shall be extended to other occupations not included.

Theabold M. Guerin, representing the State Federation of Labor, pointed out that employers, in order to reduce their liability, rejected married men with slight physical defects, but accepted single men.

Peter J. Brady, Chairman of the Legislative Committee of the State Federation of Labor, gave the Workmen's Compensation Committee credit for "wonderful progress." He said his organization had no complaint to make of the committee under the circumstances, but he asserted that it did desire to see some method employed for paying employes without delay.

Charles P. Neill, formerly United States Commissioner of Labor, now associated with the Guggenheims, sounded a warning by saying that there was an amount beyond which it would be impossible to tax employers. He added:

"It is our desire to get as much of that given payment as possible, and have that made as promptly and with as little mechanism as possible."

He suggested that payment should be made directly to employes only temporarily injured, except in cases where disability covered a long time, and payment was made to beneficiaries. Even when payments were made directly, he suggested that the employe or beneficiaries, as well as the employer, should make a report of each payment to the Workmen's Compensation Committee, and when underpayments were made heavy penalties should be imposed.

In its "tentative and general suggestions" the National Civic Federation's Workmen's Compensation Department proposed that the law should apply to all employments except those covered by the Federal law; that the statute should provide for compulsory insurance; that compensation should be based on the average earnings of the workmen in the grade in which they were employed when injured; that no compensation for disability should be paid for the first two weeks, and that the employer should be required to furnish necessary medical and surgical aid to the employe. Here are other suggestions that met with approval:

In order that the maimed and partially disabled may not be excluded from employment, provided that if an employe receive an injury, which, of itself would only cause permanent partial disability, but which, combined with a previous injury, does in fact cause permanent total disability, the employer shall be liable as for the permanent partial disability, so far as the subsequent injury is concerned.

In death cases and in cases of permanent total disability other than where men are re-employed, a payment shall be made to the commission from a sum set aside, based upon the present value of the obligation to make periodical payments.

It is the prevailing opinion among the members of the Civic Federation that payments should be made direct by employer to the employe in cases involving temporary disabilities and permanent partial disabilities, and through a board in cases of death and permanent total disability.

The proposed act should include the following provisions: Right of physical examination of injured employe by employer or his agents; modification of awards by commission; compensation unassignable and exempt from claim creditors; regulation of attorney's liens and fees; proper limitation as to time of asserting claim, and adequate provision for enforcing the law.

Louis B. Schram, Chairman of the New York State Workmen's Compensation Committee, was Chairman of the hearing. Miss Gertrude Beeks spoke for the National Civic Federation. Others who proposed amendments were: Frank V. Whiting, representing the New York Central Railroad; Joseph Forrester, Bricklayers' Union 34, and Hugh Frayne, General Organizer of the American Federation of Labor. The Civic Federation will announce later the date of the joint conference to consider the desired amendments.

SEACORD SLAIN BY MISTAKE.

Sheriff Believes Bandit Thought He Was Corporation Paymaster.

In the search yesterday for the murderer of Charles L. Seacord, who was found dead in the Mill Road at Tuckahoe Tuesday night, a slight clue was obtained yesterday which indicated that he had been shot by highwaymen in mistake for the paymaster of a Westchester corporation, who frequently passed over the same section of the road between Tuckahoe and New Rochelle, and was supposed generally to carry a large amount of money. Sheriff William J. Doyle, after an all-day investigation, said he believed the killing had been done by Manhattan gunmen, who made their escape in an automobile.

Two witnesses who saw an automobile racing away from the place of the shooting, both of whom heard the shots that killed Seacord, support this theory. One of them, Edward C. Price, who lives a short distance from where Seacord was shot, says he saw the flash of three shots, followed immediately after by the igniting explosions of an automobile engine, and a car sped rapidly south. Several others saw this car racing away with its exhaust open. This section of the road is unlighted, lonesome, and sparsely traveled.

Police dogs used in an effort to track the murderer yesterday were of little use. They followed a trail a short distance, and then returned to the spot where the body was found.

WILL WITHDRAW TROOPS.

Federal Soldiers to Quit Colorado Strike Zone by Degrees.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23. — Arrangements for beginning the withdrawal of Federal troops from the Colorado strike districts within the next ten days were made today at a conference held by President Wilson, Gov. Ammons of Colorado, Gov.-elect Carlson, and Senator Shafroth.

After a conference with Gov. Ammons Secretary of War Garrison said a plan had been agreed upon for the gradual withdrawal of the troops. He said he would submit the details to President Wilson, and meanwhile did not care to make them public beyond the general statement that it was proposed to take the troops away district by district, closely observing the results of each move before taking the next step.

Gov. Ammons told the President that if the plan of withdrawing the troops from one district at a time were carried out he would be able to control the situation with local officials. He said he could use the militia, if necessary, but desired to avoid further expense to the State. He declared there was every prospect of peace if the local authorities were enabled to gain control of the situation gradually. He told the President he would leave for Colorado tomorrow, and was willing that the first troops be withdrawn as soon as he arrived in the State.

Gov. Ammons advised that Seth Low and the other members of the President's Colorado Strike Commission be not sent into the State for the present, and said that the investigation carried on by the Federal Industrial Relations Commission had postponed the settlement of the strike at least two weeks. He estimated that all the troops could be gotten out within ten days after the first movement was begun.

TRINIDAD, Col., Dec. 23.—Col. James Lockett, commanding the Federal troops in the Southern Colorado strike district, announced today that beginning Jan. 1 the Federal authorities would impose no restrictions on the sale or shipment of liquor in the district. The saloons in Las Animas and Huerfano Counties have been closed since April 23 under proclamation by Gov. Ammons.

ORDERS SULLIVAN INQUIRY.

Bryan Directs James D. Phelan to Investigate the Minister.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The Wilson Administration has completed arrangements for the investigation of the charges that have been made against James M. Sullivan, the present American Minister to the Dominican Republic. It has intrusted the investigation to James D. Phelan, former Mayor of San Francisco, who is a United States Senator-elect from California.

The charges to be investigated were made by Walter W. Vick of New Jersey, who wrote a letter to President Wilson regarding Minister Sullivan. This letter was first referred to Secretary Garrison and later to Secretary Bryan, who was directed to arrange for an investigation. Mr. Sullivan, in cablegrams to President Wilson and Secretary Bryan, has also demanded a full and complete inquiry.

Secretary Bryan today made public a letter he sent to Mr. Phelan, who is now in Washington directing the investigation. The letter follows:

Having, with the President's approval, asked you to take up and investigate the charges which have been made against James M. Sullivan, American Minister to Santo Domingo, by Walter W. Vick of New Jersey, a former receiver of customs at Santo Domingo, and having received your verbal consent to do so, I now write to request that you begin the investigation at your earliest convenience and report your findings and opinion as soon as you have satisfied yourself as to the facts.

You are authorized to employ such legal counsel as you may need, and such clerical and stenographic assistance as you may require.

You will fix a time and place for hearings—such hearings to be public—and notify to appear before you any and all persons who, according to your information, have personal knowledge of any facts bearing upon Minister Sullivan's appointment, fitness for the work intrusted to him, or conduct in office.

All the records of the department bearing upon the subject will be open for your inspection, and you will be expected to fully and thoroughly investigate any and every charge made against his personal or official rectitude.

Speaking for the President, as well as myself, I beg to express appreciation of your willingness to undertake this task.

HOLDS UP RIVERS BILL.

Newlands to Offer a More Far-Reaching Measure at Next Session.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23. — Senator Newlands of Nevada, Chairman of the Committee on Interstate Commerce, announced in the Senate today that he would not press at this season his bill for co-ordination of work on the rivers of the country because the President felt that time was too short for the bill to receive proper consideration. The measure providing for a commission of departmental chiefs for harmonizing all the Government's work along this line has been approved by the Secretaries of War, Agriculture, Interior, and Commerce, and Mr. Newlands hopes to press a more far-reaching measure at the next session.

Mr. Newlands's general plan is for an annual appropriation of $60,000,000 for ten years, for the conservation of river heads, deepening of channels and the like on all important streams flowing into the Atlantic, the Pacific, and the Gulf of Mexico.

MRS. McCAY VINDICATED.

Court Dismisses Lamkin Divorce Suit in Which She Was Named.

Mrs. Winsor McCay, wife of the cartoonist, who was named in the divorce suit of Iren Watkins Lamkin against her husband, Harry Tobin Lamkin, won a vindication yesterday when Justice Erlanger dismissed the suit. Lamkin did not contest, and so Mrs. McCay had the right to be heard. She took advantage of this by appearing in court with her lawyer, Elliott Norton, and she vigorously contested the action. It developed on Tuesday that the plaintiff and her husband had lived together after the suit was begun.

In presenting Mrs. McCay's position to the court Mr. Norton said that the evidence proved that Mr. and Mrs. Lamkin remained on the most cordial terms all the time the action was pending. Then he said:

"At the opening of the case I said the whole thing was a frame-up between Lamkin and his wife to blackmail Mr. McCay, because it was assumed that he was earning a great deal of money by his drawings for the newspapers and his work on the stage."

Justice Erlanger said there was too much evidence of collusion to warrant the granting of the divorce.

Men to Give Charity Sewing.

A simple means of aid for the women with families, who are out of work, has been devised by Miss Caroline M. Holmes of the Guidon Lunch Club, and it will be put in operation today. Miss Holmes asks the men and women of the city to take hosiery and gloves to be mended to the city club rooms, where she will have needy women who will do stockings and gloves for 5 cents a pair. A committee of women is being formed to oversee the work.

Armory Loses Suffrage Ball.

Fire Commissioner Adamson having condemned the Seventy-first Regiment Armory as unsafe for more than 5,000 persons on account of the few exits, the Women's Political Union has withdrawn its contract for the ball it was to give there. There were 7,000 to 8,000 persons at the union ball in the armory last year and 10,000 tickets were issued. Arrangements have been made to hold the ball in the Grand Central Palace on Feb. 16.

DR. KATHARINE DAVIS STANDS BY BEDFORD

Assumes Responsibility for Race Mixing and Other Rules Now Under Attack.

VAGUE ANTI-REFORM HINTS

Says People Who Sell Prison Materials Do Not Want Cottages and Segregation.

Commissioner of Correction Katharine B. Davis defended Bedford Reformatory before the State Charities investigators yesterday. Dr. Davis was Superintendent of the reformatory from its establishment thirteen years ago to Dec. 26, 1913. Her testimony had particular force because it was admitted that her policies had been continued at the reformatory.

Secretary Hebberd asked: "Dr. Davis, did you say the charges in this case were a Tammany attack?"

"I did not," she replied. "In fact, Tammany likes me, because I have not played politics as Commissioner of Correction. I have discharged no one because of politics, nor have I ever considered party in my department."

The Commissioner, admitting authorship of a statement given to a newspaper that certain interests seemed to be back of criticism of the institution, said:

"Among prison officials and at prison conferences there has been an impression that certain interests opposed prison reform because it did away with the sale of two-block cells. At Albany last year persons told me a group interested in selling block-cell materials were not favorable to my plan for detached cottages at Bedford, as it deprived them of business."

Dr. Davis said she favored keeping mental defectives at the reformatory, though it caused congestion.

"The mental tests practiced by the State are useless," she said. "A Brooklyn school teacher, among the inmates, when subjected to these tests, showed the mentality of a girl of 15. Judges would laugh at us if we attempted to send back every girl who failed in this test.

"Many of these women can be taught useful occupations. It was far better to keep them in the reformatory than to turn them back to the communities whence they came. If there was a proper institution to which they might be transferred that would remedy the matter. We have no proper place to send those mentally lacking; hence there can be no segregation until a place is made for the incorrigible criminal woman and the defective.

"I have devised a plan for a clearing house for criminal women which has the approval of Judges. By that plan a girl or woman would go where she would receive treatment suited to her case.

"It was under this suggestion that John D. Rockefeller, Jr., established at Bedford the laboratory of social hygiene, where studies in sociology and psychology are now carried on."

Dr. Davis said she assumed full responsibility for the rule mixing white and negro women. She could name no other institution in which negro and white women were kept together.

"Was 'soaping' one of the punishments at the institution?" she was asked.

"I heard of only one case, and I ordered it stopped," said Dr. Davis. "That was a girl who could not be prevented from using vile language, so the matrons washed her mouth with soap."

Commissioner Davis thought the food at Bedford was all right, except as to the quality of certain things which could not be obtained within the appropriation allowed by the State. The State, she said, allowed for two-fifths of an egg at a time to an inmate.

"Then a woman would have one egg only every three days," suggested Dr. Kiven.

"Oh, they seldom get an egg; the eggs were generally used in making other foods that would do the most good for the largest number."

Other witnesses were Miss Jennie Taft, Assistant Superintendent, and Miss Attilie M. Lange, matron of the disciplinary department. The investigation will be resumed next Monday at 3 P. M.

DEPLORES NATIONAL HASTE.

People Expect Results Too Soon, Says Vice President Marshall.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 23.—Vice President Thomas R. Marshall and Mrs. Marshall are spending the holidays at Scottsdale with Mrs. Marshall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kinsey. The Vice President today discussed matters of current interest.

"We claim the right," he said, "to deal with all nations, irrespective of their private wars. The United States must have a world market and we will get it under the Democratic Administration."

Mr. Marshall cited the copper strike in Arizona as an instance of "the folly of the home market idea, advanced by well-meaning but poorly posted citizens."

Commenting upon the election he said that the results showed a disposition on the part of the people to give the Democratic policies a fair trial. He added that the trouble with the people of the United States was that they wanted results at once.

"They are like the children who plant seeds one day and dig them up the next to see if they have sprouted," he said. "But business changes must come slowly."

When he arrived from Washington this morning the Vice President was suffering from a severe cold.

SAYS MAN SIGNALED JUROR.

Prosecutor Makes Charge in Chicago Arson Case.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—When the defense in the case of Joseph Fish, the millionaire fire insurance adjuster, who is charged with arson, rested today Assistant State's Attorney Frank Johnson had the jury excluded and reported to Judge O'Connor that an attempt was made yesterday to influence Edward T. Malloy, a juror.

Johnson stated that a man in court by unmistakable signals communicated to Malloy, who replied to the signals. Johnson added that the spectator in the alleged plot was a friend of Fish's. The signals given by Malloy, Johnson said, evidently bore on the present standing of the jury and indicated that at least four men would stand out for acquittal.

The indictment of Fish came as the climax of the breaking up of an arson ring which, according to previous testimony, had set hundreds of fires, involving millions of dollars in insurance. Fish, it was alleged, was the man behind the conspiracy.

GLYNN EXONERATES SHERIFF

Charges Against L. A. Welch of Schenectady County Dismissed.

ALBANY, Dec. 23.—Charges alleging misconduct in office on the part of Louis A. Welch, Sheriff of Schenectady County, were dismissed today by Gov. Glynn. It was charged by the District Attorney of the county that Mr. Welch had taken for an automobile ride a prisoner charged with murder. This the Sheriff admitted, but declared the prisoner was ill and needed fresh air.

Gov. Glynn held that although Mr. Welch had been guilty of a technical violation of the law, "his act undoubtedly was an act of ignorance and mercy" and from it neither the State nor the cause of justice suffered.

Waltham Watch Plant Closes.

WALTHAM, Mass., Dec. 23.—The plant of the Waltham Watch Company, employing 4,000 hands, was closed tonight for three weeks. The usual Christmas vacation has been three days.

UNION BANK IN CAMPAIGN

Part of Depositors' Fund Used in Goldstein's Canvass of 1911.

John Woodenbury, a member of the Union Bank Depositors' Association, charged yesterday that part of a fund contributed by depositors of the defunct Brooklyn bank to further their interests was used to defray the campaign expenses of Assistant District Attorney Louis Goldstein in 1911, when he was a candidate for the Assembly in the Twenty-third Kings District. Mr. Woodenbury said some contributors did not understand that their contributions were to be used for this purpose.

Mr. Woodenbury, whose son, William Woodenbury, was secretary of the Depositors' Association, gave out a statement of some of the items and expenses for which the depositors' money was used in the Goldstein campaign. These items were printing, badges, stamps, envelopes, horse and wagon hire, addressing envelopes, transparency, salary of driver and bellringer, and muslin for signs, and the total for these items amounted to $367.50. Mr. Woodenbury said nearly $500 of the depositors' money was spent in the Goldstein campaign.

Dr. J. Ellis Rohrer, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Union Bank Depositors' Association, said yesterday that the committee had full power to expend the money for whatever purposes it deemed best.

"There was nothing irregular in using part of the depositors' money in furthering the interests of Mr. Goldstein's campaign," said Dr. Rohrer, "and I know of none of the Executive Committee objecting to this proposition. The books of the committee show for what purpose the depositors' money was used. Mr. Goldstein had given a lot of his time to aid the depositors of the Union Bank and did not ask any pay for his services. We felt that the depositors would certainly show their appreciation of what he did for them by helping his candidacy for the Assembly. We are now glad that he was not elected, as he has been of greater assistance to us in his present situation than he probably would have been if he were elected to the Assembly."

Mr. Goldstein's own statement of campaign expenses showed that he spent $73.73. The money contributed by the depositors did not pass through his hands, and was not included in his statement of campaign expenses. He said yesterday that whatever money was expended by the Executive Committee of the Union Bank Depositors' Association was purely voluntary, and had nothing to do with money he personally expended.

OPPOSE DEPARTMENT BANDS

Union Musicians Write to Mayor and Commissioners.

G. Edward Porter, President of the Musical Mutual Protective Union, Local 310, sent letters yesterday to Mayor Mitchel, Police Commissioner Woods, and Fire Commissioner Adamson, protesting against the use of the Police and Fire Bands in the recent Street Cleaners' parade, and the proposed use of the two bands for the public concert on Christmas Eve, also the use of the Firemen's Band for engagement outside of the Fire Department.

In the letter to Mayor Mitchel Mr. Porter said:

"Whatever advantage it may be to any particular department to have a band connected with that department, it is an open secret that the maintenance of such a band is detrimental to efficient service in such a department, as membership in the band is said to carry with it preferred details and various opportunities for the display of partiality unfavorable to the proper administration of the department. I feel that this is a subject that warrants your investigation and that you will not willingly permit the city itself to further complicate the great problem of the unemployed by permitting paid employes of the city to usurp the employment opportunities that properly belong to the professional musician."

FLOODS SWEEP ARIZONA.

Railroads Crippled, Bridges Washed Away, and Cattle Drowned.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 23.—Several hundred cattle were drowned last night in floods caused by the heaviest rains in the history of this part of Arizona.

Traffic between Phoenix and Florence was suspended today on account of washed-out roads and bridges. The canals of the Salt River Valley irrigation works have been seriously damaged. The Salt River, Gila, and Santa Cruz Rivers have reached the highest levels ever recorded. Nogales is isolated by the heavy rains.

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Dec. 23. — Five inches of rain in four days have caused the greatest flood damage of recent years. Railroads on this side of the border and in Sonora have suffered. Tracks and bridges have been washed out.

TUCSON, Ariz., Dec. 23.—The Santa Cruz River flood drove many persons to roof-tops today. Two Mexicans were reported drowned. Railroad men rescued five persons who had climbed a wind-mill tower to escape the flood.

A relief train started this afternoon with physicians and medical and other supplies to make its way as far as it could in the flood-swept region.

Transpacific Mails.

These mails close at 6:30 P. M.

Japan, Corea, China, and Philippine Islands (via Seattle)—Sado Maru	Dec. 24
Hawaii, (via San Francisco)—Matsonia	Dec. 25
Guam, (via San Francisco)—U. S. Transport	Dec. 31
Japan, Corea, and China (via Seattle)—Seattle Maru	Dec. 31
Hawaii (via San Francisco)—Sierra	Dec. 31
Tahiti, Marquesas, Cook Islands, New Zealand, and Australia, (except West,) (via San Francisco)—	

Pacific Mails.

Postmaster Morgan announces that mails of the following dates—Yokohama, Dec. 4, and Honolulu, Dec. 14—which arrived at San Francisco per steamer Nippon Maru, were dispatched east on Dec. 21, and are due in New York on the morning of Saturday, Dec. 26.

Postmaster Morgan announces that mails of the following dates—Manila, Nov. 21; Kobe, Dec. 5, and Yokohama, Dec. 6—which arrived per steamer Antilochus, were dispatched east from Seattle on Dec. 21, and are due in New York on the morning of Saturday, Dec. 26.

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Sandy Hook	1:10	1:26	7:20	7:38
Governors Island	1:50	2:00	8:20	8:29
Hell Gate	3:40	3:50	10:00	10:09

Arrived—Wednesday, Dec. 23.

SS Lusitania, Liverpool, Dec. 16.
SS Frankmount, London, Dec. 18.
SS Guiana, St. Thomas, Dec. 18.
SS Panama, Cristobal, Dec. 17.
SS S. V. Luckenbach, Cristobal, Dec. 15.
SS Strathmore, St. Lucia, Dec. 15.
SS Vigilancia, Progreso, Dec. 18.
SS El Sud, Galveston, Dec. 17.
SS Delaware, Philadelphia, Dec. 22.
SS Chesapeake, Baltimore, Dec. 21.
SS Sabine, Tampa, Dec. 18.

Incoming Steamships.

DUE TODAY.		
Ryndam	Rotterdam	Dec. 11
Massapequa	Rotterdam	Nov. 27
Bolsheim	Penarth	Dec. 4
Prins der Nederlanden	Haiti	Dec. 13
Chicago City	Swansea	Dec. 5
Kentra	Rio Janeiro	Nov. 28
Oosterdyk	Rotterdam	Dec. 6
Laura	Rotterdam	Dec. 7
Terje Virken	Santos	Nov. 21
Kronprins Frederik	Shields	Dec. 6
Honduras	Mobile	Dec. 14
Bergensfjord	Bergen	Dec. 14
Chicago	Havre	Dec. 14
Randelsborg	Shields	Dec. 9
Munwood	Matanzas	Dec. 18
Zaandyk	Rotterdam	Dec. 10
Trinidad	Bermuda	Dec. 22
Kentuckian	Balboa	Dec. 15
Santa Marta	Colon	Dec. 17
El Rio	New Orleans	Dec. 19
Manzanillo	Puerto Mexico	Dec. 15
Comanche	Jacksonville	Dec. 21
DUE TOMORROW.		
Finland	Genoa	Dec. 13
Ryswyck	Barry	Dec. 10
United States	Copenhagen	Dec. 11
Soestdyk	Rotterdam	Dec. 11
Rachel	London	Dec. 10
Enrico	Fiume	Dec. 4
Mayaro	Grenada	Dec. 18
Comal	Galveston	Dec. 19
El Occidente	Galveston	Dec. 19
City of St. Louis	Savannah	Dec. 22
DUE SATURDAY.		
Pannonia	Glasgow	Dec. 16
Hero	Seville	Dec. 2
Manin	Naples	Dec. 9
Skulda	Methil	Dec. 10
Lenape	Jacksonville	Dec. 23
Bayamo	Havana	Dec. 22
Iowan	Cristobal	Dec. 18

Outgoing Steamships.

	Mails Close.	Vessels Sail.
SAIL TODAY.		
Antilla, Progreso	9:00 A.M.	12:00 M.
Advance, Colon	11:30 A.M.	3:00 P.M.
City of Columbus, Savannah	———	3:00 P.M.
El Mundo, Galveston	———	12:00 M.
SAIL TOMORROW.		
Apache, Jacksonville	———	1:00 P.M.
Madison, Norfolk	———	3:00 P.M.
SAIL SATURDAY.		
St. Louis, Liverpool	8:30 A.M.	12:00 M.
Saratoga, Havana	8:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.
Bermudian, Bermuda	9:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.
Coamo, San Juan	9:00 A.M.	12:00 M.
Metapan, Jamaica	9:00 A.M.	12:00 M.
Vigilancia, Nassau	9:00 A.M.	12:00 M.
Manchioneal, Jamaica	9:30 A.M.	12:00 M.
Minnewaska, London	———	1:00 P.M.
Italia, Naples	———	3:00 P.M.
Bayamon, San Juan	———	12:00 M.
Comanche, Jacksonville	———	1:00 P.M.
Medina, Galveston	———	1:00 P.M.
Sabine, Tampa	———	1:00 P.M.
City of St. Louis, Savannah	———	3:00 P.M.
Santa Theresa, Havana	———	12:00 M.
Oceana, Bermuda	———	11:00 A.M.
Antilles, New Orleans	———	12:00 M.
El Sud, Galveston	———	12:00 M.

By Marconi Wireless.

SANDY HOOK, N. J., DEC. 23.

SS Ryndam, Rotterdam to New York, was signaled; time and distance not given; due 24th, forenoon, Holland-America Line.

SCOTLAND LIGHTSHIP.

SS Santa Cruz, San Francisco to New York, was 2,124 miles S. of San Francisco at 8 P. M. 22d.
SS City of St. Louis, Savannah to New York, was 527 miles S. at noon.
SS El Occidente, Galveston to New York, was 181 miles S. of Diamond Shoals at noon.
SS El Rio, New Orleans to New York, was 188 miles S. at 5 P. M.
SS Philadelphia, San Juan to New York, was off Jaguaro Point, Porto Rico, at 8:15 P. M. 22d.
SS El Cid, New Orleans to New York, was 92 miles S. of Jupiter at noon.
SS Brabant, Tampico to New York, was 4 miles E. of Sand Key at noon.
SS Comal, Galveston to New York, was 765 miles S. at noon.
SS W. B. Keene, Belfast to New York, was 46 miles S. W. of Diamond Shoals at 7 P. M.
SS Currier, Porto Rico to New York, was 353 miles S. at 7 P. M.
SS Lampasas, Mobile to New York, was 75 miles E. of Mobile Bar at 7 P. M.
SS Caracas, San Juan to New York, was 122 miles S. at 8 P. M.
SS Comanche, Jacksonville to New York, was 157 miles S. at 7 P. M.
SS Apache, Jacksonville to New York, was 110 miles S. at 7 P. M.
SS El Alba, Galveston to New York, was 317 miles E. of Galveston Bar at 6 P. M.
SS Santa Marta, Colon to New York, was 221 miles S. at 8 P. M.

Foreign Ports.

Arrived.

SS Ferdinand Melson, at Christiania, Dec. 16.
SS Sorland, at Kirkwall, Dec. 19.
SS Lord Erne, at Lyttleton, Dec. 21.
SS Citta di Messina, at Genoa, Dec. 21.
SS Edward Pierce, at Gothenburg, Dec. 21.
SS Josef Frederik, at Fayal, Dec. 22.
SS Oranje Nassau, at Falmouth, Dec. 27.
SS Welsh Prince, at La Pallice, Dec. 27.
SS America, at Naples, Dec. 22.
SS Frederik VIII., at Copenhagen, Dec. 22.

Passed.

SS Bristol City, New York for Bristol, passed Fastnet.
SS Antonio Lopez, New York for Barcelona, passed Sagres.

Transatlantic Parcel Post Mails.

Great Britain and Ireland—Close at 5 P. M. Dec. 25, SS St. Louis.
Germany—Close at 5 P. M. Dec. 28, SS Ryndam.
France—Close at 11 A. M. Dec. 26, SS Chicago.
Austria—Close at 5 P. M. Dec. 28, SS Ryndam.
Belgium—Service suspended.
Greece—Close at 12 M. Dec. 23, SS Themistocles.
Hungary—Close at 5 P. M. Dec. 28, SS Ryndam.
Liberia—Close at 12 M. Jan. 11, SS Memmon.
Netherlands—Close at 5 P. M. Dec. 28, SS Ryndam.
Sweden and Denmark—Close at 9:30 A. M. Jan. 2, SS United States.
Norway—Close at 9:30 A. M. Jan. 2, SS Bergensfjord.
Italy—Close at 5 P. M. Dec. 29, SS Stampalia.

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New York—Liverpool. Pier 62, N. R.
St. Louis, Dec. 26, n'n | St. Paul, Jan. 9, n'n

Atlantic Transport Line
New York—London. Pier 58, N. R.
Minnewaska, Dec. 26, 1 p.m | Minneapolis, Jan. 2

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SURROGATE NOTICES.

BAUMANN.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against GUSTAV BAUMANN, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber at her place of transacting business, at the office of her attorneys, Pinney, Thayer & Van Slyke, No. 32 Nassau Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 14th day of May next.—Dated New York, the 28th day of October, 1914. EMILY G. K. BAUMANN, Executrix. PINNEY, THAYER & VAN SLYKE, Attorneys for Executrix, 32 Nassau Street, New York City.

TO RAISE $30,000 FOR HUNGRY PUPILS

President Churchill Tells How Children's Wants Will Be Relieved.

MISS RODMAN SUSPENDED

Teacher Who Called Commissioners "Mother-Baiters" Will Appeal—Few Want a Smaller Board.

The Board of Education yesterday suspended Henrietta Rodman until Sept. 1, 1915, without pay, for calling the Commissioners "mother-baiters." It shelved the Flexner resolution favoring a smaller membership in the board, and it sustained by a vote the attitude taken by President Churchill, who supported teachers who tried to feed and clothe unfortunate and hungry pupils.

Dr. Ira S. Wile led the attack upon President Churchill and the teachers. He read extracts from newspaper clippings about the efforts of District Supt. Grace C. Strachan and Principal Edward Mandel of Public School 188, Manhattan, to clothe and feed the almost naked and ill-nourished children in various schools and President Churchill's letter commending the work, and denounced it as a violation of the by-laws. He moved that the board disapprove their acts. The public school system, he declared, should not be used for charitable relief. Miss Martha Lincoln Draper seconded his resolution.

Dr. Dennis J. McDonald said the teachers were engaged in noble work and that he was opposed to red tape that would hinder them in performing it. On motion of George J. Gillespie the board went into Committee of the Whole and the committee into secret session. When the doors were reopened Vice President Greene was in the chair and President Churchill was on the floor making a spirited defense of his action in the matter.

$30,000 for Children's Relief.

One manager had given teachers the right to sell tickets for a month's performances in his theatre, one-half of the proceeds to go to the theatre and the other half to the relief fund. Another manager had promised the use of twenty-four moving picture shows on the same basis. Still another manager had promised a matinée for the fund. About $30,000 would thus be raised for the children's relief. Mr. Churchill closed his remarks by saying it was a time not for philosophy but for clothing the naked and feeding the hungry.

"I'll do it again," he said, "unless you say nay."

By a vote of all those present, except Dr. Wile and Miss Draper, a resolution offered by Ernest F. Ellert approving Mr. Churchill's action was adopted.

The High School Committee's report on the Henrietta Rodman case was that her suspension, which took place on Nov. 13, for insubordination and gross misconduct, should be continued until Sept. 1, 1915. On motion of Joseph Barondess the term "insubordination" was eliminated. On the charge of gross misconduct the suspension was adopted unanimously.

Miss Rodman Will Appeal.

"My suspension," said Miss Rodman, "amounts to a fine of $1,800 for writing a satirical letter about the Board of Education's mother-teacher question which in ten years from now will be universally regarded as immoral and absurd. If the Board of Education had found me guilty of an error of judgment and censured me, I would have accepted it, but now I will appeal to State Commissioner of Education Finley as a matter of principle and the right of citizenship just as my fight on the mother-teacher question was a fight for the development of democracy. How can they stimulate initiative and independence when they act as they have done in my case?"

Abraham Flexner, Chairman of the committee which made a report favoring a smaller Board of Education, made a long speech in favor of it. There were many other speeches, and a motion to refer the resolutions back to the committee was carried. The talk prolonged the meeting until 8 P. M. Only a few items on the calendar had been disposed of, but the board adjourned to next Wednesday afternoon.

WELLESLEY FUND GROWS.

Only $54,000 of $2,000,000 Remains to be Pledged.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Wellesley College has obtained in cash and pledges all except $54,000 of the restoration and endowment fund of $2,000,000 started after the destruction of College Hall by fire, according to a statement tonight by Bishop Williams Lawrence, Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

The Bishop added that there was no underwriting of the balance, but that alumnae and Trustees hoped to complete the fund by the close of the year.

THE COLLECTOR'S REASONS.

Mr. Malone Explains Why He Has Not Cut Down the Force.

Collector Dudley Field Malone, in a Christmas letter sent to all employes in the Custom House yesterday, told why he had not laid off men as the result of the falling off of imports incident to the war in Europe. At the same time, the Collector said the Congressional appropriation available for the local Custom service does not permit at the present time of making promotions or increasing salaries. He expressed the hope that the new year will open a way to accomplish these "desirable things."

Relative to the effects of the war on the local service, the Collector says in his letter:

"The falling off in imports brought forth many demands from thoughtless persons, ignorant of conditions in the Customs service, that the Collector in the interest of so-called 'economy' should cut down the staff of Customs employes. This I have steadily refused to do; first, because the problems of contraband and neutrality provided additional work for the service, and, secondly, because in times of stress and world-wide suffering the Government should be the first to set the example to all employers to keep faithful employes in office as long as there is real work to be done.

"I have not tried to make a political reputation on the basis of false economy, and at the expense of men who have many people dependent upon them. I have not asked the politics of any man in the service in considering any matter of transfer or discipline. My attitude in these matters is all I can offer you at this holiday season as an expression of my sincere interest in your welfare."

Friendly Sons' Gift to Charities.

The Treasurer of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, John G. O'Keeffe, has distributed $2,000 as a Christmas offering among the following charities: Presbyterian Hospital, St. Vincent's Hospital, New York Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor, Mission of the Holy Name, St. Joseph's Hospital, Home for the Aged, St. Francis's Hospital, Society of St. Vincent de Paul (Special Works,) Little Sisters of the Poor, Sisters of the Assumption, St. John's Guild, Little Sisters of the Poor of the Bronx, Sisters of the Misericordia, the Rev. Mother Lathrop, Catholic Seamen's Home, Italian Hospital, St. Lawrence Hospital, and Dominican Sisters of the Sick Poor.

RECEIVERS FOR BREWERY.

Adverse Legislation Blamed for Embarrassment of $12,000,000 Ohio Corporation.

COLUMBUS, Dec. 23.—The Hoster-Columbus Breweries Company, a $12,000,000 corporation, went into the hands of receivers today on order of the United States District Court. "Decreased demand for beer, adverse legislation, and the voting 'dry' of many States and counties in the last eight years," was given as the cause.

Judge Sater appointed the receivers when it was shown that the company had defaulted payment upon a judgment for $3,518 in favor of Samuel S. and Victor Steiner of New York. The court named C. Christian Born and Carl J. Hoster, large stockholders of the company, as receivers.

The company had $4,350,000 outstanding capital stock, and $4,899,000 outstanding bonds, with $6,000,000 stock, and the same amount of bonds authorized. Most stocks and bonds were secured by mortgages on property owned by the brewery company in Ohio, Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Indiana, and New Jersey.

In its statement the company declared the voting "dry" of West Virginia was "the last straw" in a series of legislative acts which reduced seriously the sale of its product. Increase of the saloon license fee to $1,000 by the Ohio Legislature eight years ago, a county local option law, and the more recent license system by which the number of saloons was greatly cut down, were mentioned as other causes.

Officials of the company gave out this statement:

"The present situation was due solely to the loss of sales beyond any one's control. We can mention the principal causes as follows:

"In Ohio in 1906 the Legislature increased the liquor tax from $350 to $1,000, closing nearly 25 per cent. of the saloons in the State. The loss in sales from this amount was more than 17,000 barrels during the remaining nine months of that year. In the same year thirty-five towns in Ohio in which we were doing business went dry.

"In 1908 the Legislature passed the Rose County option law, which took from us annually about 81,000 barrels' sale in Ohio. In 1908 the full effect of the Rose law was felt to the extent of reducing our sales in that year to about 270,000 barrels.

"In 1913 a new license law curtailed the number of saloons in Ohio 35 per cent.

"In 1914 the crowning blow came in the loss of West Virginia, where we did a business of nearly $500,000 a year, to say nothing of old Virginia's voting dry, to go into effect in 1916.

"The company has no debts or liabilities except its regular monthly accounts, accumulated since Dec. 1, and the interest on its outstanding bonds from July 1, due Jan. 1, together with sinking fund requirements."

RUBBER MEN COMPLAIN.

British Embargo on Exports Seriously Affects Business.

The situation confronted by the American rubber manufacturers as a result of the embargo placed on the exportation of crude rubber from Great Britain and her colonies, is set forth in a statement issued by the Rubber Club of America, which includes the leading manufacturers and importers in this business. The point is made that England's action means the cutting off of 50 per cent. of the normal supplies of crude rubber required by the industry in this country.

A special committee of rubber manufacturers and importers has been working with the State Department at Washington, but owing to the uncompromising attitude of the British Government, nothing has been accomplished. Unlike the majority of American industries, the rubber industry is wholly dependent on raw material brought from abroad.

"England and her allies," it is stated, "cannot use more than one-third of the world's total production of rubber. On this account, and also because the rubber growers in the Far East are largely dependent on the United States market, it has caused no little wonder that the British Government has refused to let supplies come forward to manufacturers here upon their giving proper guarantees against re-exportation. If this attitude is persisted in, the only reasonable inference is that England is trying to use this kind of pressure to obtain concessions to which our Government cannot accede.

It is pointed out that fully 125,000 persons are directly or indirectly employed in the rubber manufacturing industry. Already, owing to the slowing up of the mills due to the lack of supplies, it has been necessary to lay off a good many employes.

STEEL TRADE ENCOURAGED.

Railroads Have Begun to Buy Track Accessories.

The steel trade is finding encouragement in the increased rates granted to the railroads, which will put them in better position to enter the market for their requirements. The Iron Age will say tomorrow:

> The 5 per cent. advance in the rates of Eastern railroads and the closely related decision of the Steel Corporation to make no general reductions in wages are important reinforcements of the favorable factors in the steel market. The railroads have not hastened to buy steel, but already there are well authenticated reports of requisitions that are being made ready for January.
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> The Steel Corporation decision on wages is expected to bring out orders from a good many manufacturing consumers who have looked for lower prices in case of general reductions of mill costs. One strong argument against wage cuts, in fact, was that they would at once be given away in the market. The Steel Corporation reports nearly twice as much new business this month as in the corresponding period of November, and it will close the month with a substantial gain in orders on the books.

The Iron Trade Review will say:

> The railroads are giving more attention to their requirements and there has been a considerable buying done in track accessories. A slight betterment in the orders of and inquiries for cars and locomotives has appeared. Rails still are slow, though several Eastern roads have opened negotiations for their 1915 requirements. The Eastern shipbuilding market is in the briskest state it has been in a number of months and several vesels were contracted for the past week, in addition to the three boats already reported as having been taken.

American Ice Profits $408,866.

The American Ice Company reports for the year ended Oct. 31 net profits of $408,866, against $1,659,320 the preceding year. The balance sheet as of Nov. 1 shows cash $266,124, profit and loss surplus $4,060,854, and total assets and liabilities $33,597,245. The net earnings equaled 2.74 per cent. on preferred stock outstanding.

Weather in Cotton and Grain States

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Forecast:

N. Car.—Fair Thurs. Fri. cloudy; not much change in temp.; moderate variable winds.
S. Car. and Ga.—Cloudy Thurs. and Fri.; prob. rain; moderate variable winds.
Fla.—Cloudy Thurs. and Fri.; moderate variable winds, mostly e.
Ala., Miss., La. and East. Tex.—Cloudy, with probable rain Thurs. and Fri.; moderate e. winds.
West. Texas—Cloudy Thurs. Fri. fair.
Utah—Generally fair Thurs. and Fri.
Okla.—Cloudy Thurs. Fri. probably fair.
Ark. and Tenn.—Cloudy Thurs. and Fri.; probably rain.
Ky.—Unsettled Thurs. Fri. cloudy, not much change in temp.
Ohio and Ind.—Cloudy Thurs. and Fri.; colder; moderate w. to n. w. winds.
Ill.—Cloudy with probably snow Thurs. Fri., fair and colder; moderate variable winds.
Lower Mich.—Cloudy Thurs. and Fri., probably snow flurries near the lakes; moderate n. winds.
Upper Mich. and Minn.—Fair, continued cold Thurs. and Fri.
Wis.—Cloudy Thurs. and Fri., moderate variable winds, mostly n.
Ia.—Cloudy, colder Thurs. Fri., probably fair.
Mo.—Cloudy Thurs., probable rain or snow in s. Fri., fair, colder.
N. Dak.—Cloudy Thurs. and Fri.
S. Dak. and Neb.—Cloudy, colder Thurs. Fri., fair.
Kan.—Cloudy Thurs. Fri., fair and colder.

STEPS IN CLAFLIN REORGANIZATION

Mercantile Stores Corporation Is Formed to Supervise Retail Subsidiaries.

ALEXANDER NEW HEADS IT

Lawyer Will Be Chief Executive of the Company Formed to Administer Out-of-Town Property.

Alexander New of Kansas City, an attorney who is widely known in the mercantile world, will head the Mercantile Stores Corporation, incorporated under the laws of this State yesterday, to have supervision over the business activities of the twenty-three retail stores subsidiary to the H. B. Claflin Company. It will also hold stocks of other corporations concerned in the plan of reorganization, including the stock of the H. B. Claflin Corporation, when it is organized. These Directors of the Mercantile Stores Corporation have been nominated by the Trustees under the plan of reorganization, and have given their consent to act: James S. Alexander, President of the National Bank of Commerce, this city; Murray Carleton of the Carleton-Ferguson Dry Goods Company, St. Louis; Henry D. Cooper of James F. White & Co.; Gates W. McGarrah, President of the Mechanics and Metals' National Bank; Gerrish H. Milliken of Deering, Milliken & Co., and Albert H. Wiggin, President of the Chase National Bank, all of this city, and Alexander New of Kansas City.

In a statement given out yesterday by Seward Prosser, President of the Bankers' Trust Company of this city and Acting Chairman of the Noteholders' Committee in the Claflin reorganization, it was said that deposits of claims under the plan had so far progressed as to warrant the organization of the Mercantile Stores Corporation and the selection of a Board of Directors preparatory to taking over the business as soon as the necessary court proceedings are completed.

As further provided for in the reorganization plan, it is expected that within a short time a company, to be known as the H. B. Claflin Corporation, will be organized to succeed to the wholesale business of the H. B. Claflin Company. The present Claflin Company will continue to exist with the rights that are set forth in the plan.

Beyond the election of Mr. New to the Presidency, no information was given yesterday regarding the executives of the Mercantile Stores Corporation. Harry P. Bonties, who was recommended recently by the Trustees for the general managership of the Claflin Corporation, is now acting in a similar capacity for the H. B. Claflin Company, under the direction of the receivers.

Alexander New, who has been chosen to head the new corporation, was born at Wabash, Ind., and educated at Washington and Jefferson College of Pennsylvania. He is about 45 years old and unmarried. As counsel for the Cudahy interests he defended the so-called Beef Trust. More recently he became receiver of the Jones Dry Goods Company, the Claflin Store in Kansas City, and his work in this capacity is understood to have led to his present appointment. During the last eight or ten years Mr. New has given his time almost entirely to the constructive side of law, such as the administration and reorganization of large corporations. He has taken a large interest in public affairs, holding office in various civic organizations in Kansas City. He was the first President of the City Club in that city. New & Krauthoff is the law firm in which he is now a partner.

READING OFFICIALS CALLED.

Appear Before Philadelphia Grand Jury—Inquiry a Mystery.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—It was admitted at the offices of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company today that certain officials of the company had appeared before the Federal Grand Jury in this city in connection with an investigation the nature of which has not been disclosed.

"There is no suit or prosecution against any one, and the company is not involved," said Charles Heebner of the legal department of the Reading. "The Government is inquiring into certain things and called some of our officials to furnish information," he said.

The Grand Jury has adjourned until Jan. 4.

LATEST CUSTOMS RULINGS.

Rates of Duty Fixed on Divers Articles by Appraisers.

B. Altman & Co. were sustained yesterday by the Board of General Appraisers in a controversy under the Tariff act of 1909, regarding lace pins about one and one-half inches long, having violet colored imitation pearl heads and gold-plated shafts. The goods were returned for duty at 60 per cent. ad valorem, as plated jewelry, and were claimed properly taxable at only 45 per cent. under the provisions for manufactures of glass or metal.

The Central Aguirre Company, San Juan, Porto Rico, was overruled in a claim for a reduction in the rate assessed on twilled jute bags, printed. The Collector took duty at 35 per cent. ad valorem under the act of 1913, as manufactures of vegetable fibre. The importer contended that the merchandise is entitled to enter at 10 per cent.

Stein, Hirsch & Co. and others lost yesterday in a controversy over the tariff rate due on kartoffelwalzmehl, which in plain English is fine, white potato flour. The testimony showed that the product is made from potatoes by a peeling process, after which grinding is resorted to. If was assessed at the rate of 15 per cent. ad valorem under the present law, as an unenumerated article. Free entry was claimed as for potatoes desiccated, or otherwise prepared. In overruling the protests, Judge Waite held that this product is the result of sufficient manipulation and processing to constitute it a manufactured article under the tariff.

The American Express Company was sustained in a claim for free entry of a fertilizer invoiced as engrais radioactif. It was assessed at 50 cents per ton as an unwrought earth. The testimony showed that the product is the residumn of the manufacture of radium, and that it contains about two milligrams of radium to the ton, the other constituents being silica, alumina, and lime. The board admits the product free of duty as a fertilizer.

Lunham & Moore succeeded in claims for a reduction in the assessment made on merchandise decided to be fire brick. The board holds that the brick are properly dutiable at 15 per cent. ad valorem.

Strawbridge & Clothier, Philadelphia, won in protests for a 60 per cent. duty on hat pins, pendants and collar sets imported under the old tariff, and taxed at 85 per cent. ad valorem as articles of personal adornment.

LINE TO THE BAHAMAS.

One Projected Between Jacksonville, Fla., and There.

E. C. Porter, commercial agent in charge of the local office of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, announced yesterday that persons interested in the prospective steamship service between Nassau, Bahama Islands, and Jacksonville, Fla., may obtain full particulars at the branch office here.

William F. Doty, American Consul at Nassau, has been authorized by the Development Board of the Bahama Government to conclude arrangements for the new service. The Bahama Government offers $6,000 mail subsidy for the period of three months, beginning about Jan. 15. The Board of Trade of Jacksonville and a committee of the Rotary Club, leading commercial men of Jacksonville, are enthusiastically co-operating with Mr. Doty in securing subscriptions from commercial firms, hotels, and other interested parties. A vessel will be chartered having a draught of 13 feet and about 700 tons cargo capacity, with passenger accommodations for about 100 persons. The Jacksonville interests will make good any deficit in the running expenses of such a vessel for about three months.

Mr. Porter said that, looking toward a permanent corporation which ought to have three or more steamers, it would be well if some promotion company would get in touch with those interested. The total foreign trade of the Bahamas amounts to $3,750,000 annually, and the Jacksonville service is a logical one. Subsidies amounting in all to $80,000 are likely in about eighteen months or two years to become available at Nassau for this service. Moreover, presumably, there would be American Government mail subsidies.

Trading on Paris Bourse.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—Trading was quiet on the Bourse today. French rentes were stronger on the excellent impression created by yesterday's Parliamentary session. Three per cent. rentes 71 francs for cash. Exchange on London, 25 francs 15 centimes.

BUSINESS NOTES.

Hamburger Brothers, manufacturers of house dresses, kimonos, and robes, have taken larger quarters at 134-140 West Twenty-sixth Street, a few doors from their former location. They say that their business shows an increase over 1913 that is remarkable under the conditions that have prevailed this year.

John C. Eames, who recently resigned from the general managership of the H. B. Claflin Company after many years' connection with that firm, has opened a temporary office at 320 Broadway. As yet he has no definite business plan for the future.

The account of Winner, Klein & Co. of Meridian, Miss., is now being handled by Alfred Fantl, resident buyer, 116 West Thirty-second Street.

COMMODITIES MARKETS

WHEAT.

Export sales of wheat in all positions were estimated at fully 3,000,000 bushels, including purchases of large quantities by several foreign Governments, but despite this big demand and evidences of continued apprehension regarding supplies in Europe, the market during the day was feverish, with quite active liquidation at times, and final quotations were ⅝ to ¾c net lower. In the local cash market No. 2 red Winter wheat was quoted at $1.33¼ and No. 2 hard at $1.33¾, all rail, cost, insurance, and freight, track, for export; No. 1 Northern, Duluth, $1.35, and No. 1 Northern, Manitoba, $1.38, cost, insurance, and freight, Buffalo.

NEW YORK PRICES.

	High.	Low.	Close.	Prev. Close.	Last Year.
December..	..	..	$1.33⅞	$1.34⅝	96⅝
May	$1.38	$1.36½	1.36½	1.37½	97⅜

CONSOLIDATED EXCHANGE.

May	1.38½	1.36⅛	1.37½	1.38⅛	..

CHICAGO PRICES.

December..	1.26⅞	1.25⅝	1.25⅞	1.26⅝	87⅝
May	1.29⅝	1.28	1.28⅝	1.28⅞	90⅝
July	1.20⅝	1.19¼	1.20	1.20⅝	87

CORN.

The corn market was firm throughout the greater part of the day, closing ¼@½c net higher. At the close yesterday December corn was 60½c per bushel under December wheat, whereas a year ago it was 17⅝c under, and the price for the same position was 16½c over December oats, whereas last year it was 30½c over. The local cash market was firm, No. 2 yellow being quoted at 75½c, cost, insurance, and freight, to arrive, and prime Argentine at 73c, nominal, delivered.

CHICAGO PRICES.

	High.	Low.	Close.	Prev. Close.	Last Year.
December ...	65⅛	65	65⅜	65	69¼
May	72	71⅜	71⅞	71½	69¼
July	72⅛	71⅛	72⅛	72	68⅜

OATS.

Reports that exporters had taken about 2,000,000 bushels in the United States and Canada caused a very firm undertone in the market for oats, and final quotations were ⅛@¼c higher. The local cash market was steady, standard being quoted at 54½@55c; No. 2 white, 55@55½c; No. 3 white, 54@54½c; No. 4 white, 53½@54c; fancy clipped white, 57@57½c; ordinary clipped white, 55½@56c, all elevator.

CHICAGO PRICES.

	High.	Low.	Close.	Prev. Close.	Last Year.
December ...	49¼	48⅞	48⅞	48⅞	38⅝
May	53½	53	53⅛	52⅞	41¼

COTTONSEED OIL.

The market for cottonseed oil was moderately active and prices were lower, closing at a net decline of 8 to 12 points. The range of contract prices was as follows:

	High.	Low.	Close.	Prev. Close.
Spot	..	..	5.64@5.75	5.70
December ...	..	..	5.64@5.75	5.70
January	5.83	5.73	5.71@5.74	5.83
February	..	..	5.85@5.90	5.97
March	6.04	6.00	6.00@6.02	6.08
April	..	..	6.10@6.14	6.19
May	6.34	6.26	6.27@6.28	6.36
June	6.40	6.40	6.38@6.41	6.47
July	6.54	6.42	6.48@6.51	6.57

PROVISIONS.

The provision market was moderately active and prices were lower under selling credited to packing interests and influenced by continued liberal receipts of hogs at Western points. Receipts of hogs at Chicago were 50,000, estimated for Thursday, 35,000; Kansas City receiving 10,000, and Omaha 10,500.

CHICAGO PRICES.

	High.	Low.	Close.	Prev. Close.	Last Year.
Lard—					
January	10.35	10.30	10.30	10.40	10.67
May	10.57	10.47	10.47	10.57	11.02
Ribs—					
January	10.15	10.10	10.10	10.20	10.75
May	10.57	10.45	10.45	10.57	11.07
Pork—					
January	18.65	18.35	18.35	18.62	20.45
May	19.15	18.85	18.85	19.12	20.87

COFFEE.

The coffee market declined 8 to 11 points, but the easier tone was due more to a general lack of business than to any change in the general situation, and the market, as a whole, was very narrow, with total sales for the day amounting to only 3,750 bags. The local cash market was quiet and unchanged, with Rio 7s quoted at 7⅝c.

The range of contract prices was as follows:

	High.	Low.	Close.	Prev. Close.
December	..	..	6.10@6.12	6.20
January	..	..	6.10@6.12	6.20
February	..	..	6.18@6.20	6.29
March	6.30	6.28	6.28@6.30	6.38
April	..	..	6.37@6.39	6.47
May	6.47	6.47	6.46@6.48	6.56
June	..	..	6.35@6.37	6.46
July	..	..	7.28@7.30	7.36
August	..	..	7.34@7.35	7.42
September	7.40	7.40	7.40@7.41	7.49
October	..	..	7.47@7.48	7.56
November	..	..	7.53@7.54	7.62

BUTTER AND EGG MARKET.

BUTTER.—Receipts yesterday, 6,320 packages. Yesterday's advance was firmly maintained, but there was no disposition to force values any higher at the moment. Demand was only fair; some jobbers were needing stock to carry them over the holiday, but no one seemed disposed to anticipate future wants to any considerable extent. The secondary grades are moving out pretty well. Renovated steady to firm. Ladles in good demand and quite strong. Packing stock steady. Creamery, extras, (92 score,) 34½c; higher scoring lots, 35@35½c; firsts, 31@34c; seconds, 27@30c; thirds, 25@26c; creamery, held, extras, (92 score,) 32@32½c; higher scoring lots, 32¾@33c; firsts, 29@31½c; seconds, 26@28½c; State dairy, finest, 32@33c; good to prime, 29@31c; common to fair, 24@28c; renovated, extras, 25½@26½c; firsts, 24½@25c; lower grades, 22@23½c; imitation creamery, firsts, 25@25½c; ladles, current make, firsts, 23½@24c; seconds, 23c; lower grades, 20@22c; packing stock, held, fine, 22@22½c; current make, No. 2, 21½c; lower grades, 19@21c.

EGGS.—Receipts yesterday, 6,457 cases, not including 6,501 cases in transit for export. There was some improvement in the demand for fresh eggs, and the tone of the market was steadier with a fair trading. The offerings appear to be ample for all needs. The quality of the supply is very irregular and not much of it shows uniformly high grade. Fresh gathered, extra fine, per dozen, 39@40c; extra firsts, 37@38c; firsts, 36c; seconds, 31@35c; thirds and poorer, 24@30c; Fall refrigerator, poor to good, 19@26c; refrigerator, early packed, special marks, fancy, charges paid, 26c; firsts, 24@25½c; seconds, 22½@24c; undergrades, 16@22c; State, Pennsylvania, and nearby, hennery whites, fine to fancy, 47@49c; defective, 40@45c; gathered whites, as to size and quality, 35@47c; hennery browns, 41@42c; gathered brown and mixed colors, 36@40c.

BUSINESS WORLD

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COMMERCIAL PAPER.

Yesterday..4@4½ per cent. for the best names
Tuesday....4¼@5 per cent. for the best names
The quotation is for six months' paper.

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New Plan for Making Uniforms.

Following the rejection of a large quantity of cadet blue cloth by the foreign Government that placed the order here for army purposes, it is now rumored in the piece goods trade that enough of the same kind of cloth will be ordered shortly to manufacture over half a million uniforms. The garments, however, if the rumor proves correct, will not be made in this country, but in Canada. Having made one mistake, it is not likely that the mills here will be so careless in the future regarding the specifications contained in their contracts. In the cloth rejected it was found that the colors used were inferior and that the goods contained too much shoddy.

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Puzzling the Clothier.

Some manufacturers in the clothing trade are seriously questioning the advisability of using a better grade of piece goods for next Fall in place of the medium class merchandise that has advanced so much in price. It will be possible, according to the way circumstances are now shaping themselves in the piece goods market, to obtain at very little more cost much better values. The manufacturer, who buys a finer grade of merchandise than he has been accustomed to may find it rather difficult to go back to the old order once he has established a precedent with his customers.

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Coverts Feature in Dress Goods.

The improvement in the cutting up trade has produced a corresponding better feeling in the dress goods market. Buyers seem to have made up their minds regarding what the styles for the coming season will require. The spot demand for coverts is the feature of present operations and exceeds by a good margin the supply of available goods. The future of this fabric is a question that so far no one is really able to name. Serges and gabardines in the popular covert shades are moving very freely. The certainty that prices from now on will show advances has induced many buyers with the reputation for farsightedness to place business beyond their immediate needs.

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Style Prevents Remodelling.

It has been pointed out that one of the things holding back business from the silk manufacturers has been the enforced economy of the times. Women, it was said, are doing more remodeling of old garments than has been the case in former years. This may be true to a certain extent, but the manufacturers believe that the style tendency toward wider skirts for the Spring will prevent such a situation becoming serious to their interests. When it is only necessary to drape a skirt differently to make it stylish, there may be something in the fact that buying has for this reason become more restricted. The change that must be made if fashion is to be followed for the coming season, however, is not a slight one of alteration. The skirt, formerly four yards wide, must be made seven or eight yards wide, and this can scarcely be accomplished by adding new material to the old gown.

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Good Sheeting Business in Sight.

Some good-sized sales of sheetings are looked for in the local gray goods market in the course of the next week or ten days. Yesterday letters were received by leading commission houses from a well-known Western refining company asking prices on 1,500,000 yards of 36-inch, 5.50-yard sheetings, and on 500,000 yards of 36-inch, 3.50-yard sheetings. While it could not be learned just what figure would be quoted on the first-named construction, it was said by well-posted men in the trade that the price could hardly exceed 3 to 3 1-16 cents. On the other goods a price of 4⅝ cents is now asked in the market. A purchase of several million yards of sheetings by a well-known concern, whose headquarters are in Chicago, is looked for before Jan. 1.

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Not So Many Gifts.

The war in Europe is materially reducing holiday gifts and remembrances this year from the other side. Most of these souvenirs of the season arrive here either in so-called packages entered by express companies or by the regular parcels post service. In each case the articles have to be sent to the Appraiser's stores for the usual customs examination for the purpose of fixing duties. Ordinarily the Appraiser is obliged to put on extra men to handle the gifts, but this year the slump in holiday tokens is so marked that the regular force has been able to pass the goods. At the same time the customs officials have been surprised that the volume of business has reached the proportions it has in view of conditions abroad. The steamship Lusitania, in yesterday, brought a big consignment of express packages and parcels post matter, which will have to go to the Public Stores before being distributed to the recipients.

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Silk Association Awards Prizes.

Jerome C. Read, William Hand, George A. Post, P. D. Saklatvala, and Emil Stehli, constituting the Special Committee appointed by Charles Cheney, President of the Silk Association of America, yesterday awarded prizes offered for the best article on the subject of silk. The awards were made on the basis of the practical value of the material in the articles, rather than on their literary merit. Forty-three competitive papers or essays were judged, they having come from writers in nine States and one foreign country. The prizes and the winners follow: First prize, $200, W. P. Seem, Altoona, Penn.; second prizes, three of $100 each, J. A. Scheibli, Easton, Penn., D. E. Douty and H. W. Smith, this city; third prizes, four of $50 each, James Chittick, Dr. A. D. Simpson, G. M. Berlet, and D. S. Mercein and G. H. Cossenas, all of this city; fourth prizes, four of $25 each, G. H. Seelig, Pittsfield, Mass., S. Boelhout, Astoria, and Leo Duran and K. B. Lamb of this city.

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Silk Trade Picking Up.

There has been a better business passing in silks in the past two weeks than has been the case since the war slackened up the trade. Viewing the conditions of the last few months, some factors in the market believe that a mistake was made in taking losses so readily. The opinion now finds free expression that, if drastic revision of prices had been held over, the condition in raw silks might have improved sufficiently to render none at all or very slight reductions necessary. Such an improvement in raw silk is now taking place, and yet the manufacturers show no disposition to put up prices based on higher quotations given out on the raw product. On the principle, generally true, that buyers show more eagerness to purchase on a rising market than they do when there is a decline in values, the manufacturers believe that the outlook in silks is good. Hard finished effects in the heavier weaves are now in the ascendancy. Colors desired are on the sombre order.

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Gray Goods Prices Steady.

While trading in the gray goods market was seasonably inactive yesterday, prices continued steady at recent levels. One of the interesting occurrences of the day was the appearance of more spot 38½-inch 64-60s, which were available at 3⅝ cents. The appearance of this construction at that price was not taken by sellers as an indication of softening prices. The impression prevailed that the merchandise was "distress" goods, on which the mills wanted to realize quicker than the normal demand at this time of the year would seem to warrant their doing. Both Eastern and Southern goods could be had, it was said. On the other hand, a bid of 3 11-16 cents for several thousand pieces of 64-60s for delivery in February, March, and April was declined, and 3¾ cents was asked. Some sales were put through during the day on several constructions in a quiet way, but the aggregate yardage called for in the orders taken was not great. The day's prices follow:

	Spot.	Near by and Spring.	Future.
39-inch, 80-80s........	5⅝c.	5⅝c.	5¾c.
39-inch, 72-76s........	5c.	5⅛c.	5⅛c.
39-inch, 68-72s........	4⅝c.	4½c.	4½c.
38½-inch, 64-64s......	3 13-16c.	3⅞c.	3 15-16c.
38½-inch, 64-60s......	3⅝c.	3¾c.	3⅞c.
38½-inch, 64-56c......	3 7-16c.	3 7-16c	3⅝c.
38½-inch, 60-52s......	3¼c.	3¼c.	3⅜c.
38½-inch, 60-48s......	3⅛c.	3⅛c.	3¼c.
27-inch, 64-60s........	2½c.	2½c.	..
27-inch, 56-52s........	2 7-16c.	2½c.	..

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Dated, New York, December 4th, 1914.
JOHN J. LYTTLE, Receiver.
CHARLES L. GREENHALL, Attorney for Receiver, 220 Broadway, New York City.

Above sale adjourned until Jan. 7th, 1915, at same time and place.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE.

SUPREME COURT, KINGS COUNTY.—IN the matter of the General Assignment for the benefit of creditors of AL HUSCH CO., INC. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Assignee will sell at public auction, through Charles Shongood, Auctioneer, on Monday, the 4th day of January, 1915, at 10:30 A. M., at 438 Fulton St., Borough of B'klyn, City of New York, property and assets of the above estate, consisting of cloaks, suits, dresses, waists, millinery, millinery supplies, and a very elaborate lot of fixtures, wallcases, mirrors, safe, desks, &c.

GEORGE BLAUMAN, Assignee.
MAURICE L. SHAINE, Attorney for Assignee 350 Broadway, New York.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE.

SUPREME COURT, NEW YORK COUNTY. In the matter of the General Assignment for the benefit of creditors of HARRY D. SILVER and DAVID GENDEL, doing business as SILVER & GENDEL.—Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Assignee will sell at public auction through Charles Shongood, Auctioneer, on this day, Thursday, Dec. 24th, at 10:30 A. M., at 110 Bleecker St., Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, property and assets of the above estate, consisting of boys' and children's clothing, piece goods, fixtures, &c.

BENJAMIN MARKOWITZ, Assignee.
JULIUS H. REITER, Attorney for Assignee, 277 Broadway, New York.

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ELIHU J. ZWILLING, Assignee.
MEYER MIHALOWITZ, Atty. for Assignee, 302 B'dway, N. Y.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New York.—In Bankruptcy.—In the matter of MORRIS SCHACHTEL, Bankrupt.

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ROBERT H. STRAHAN, Receiver.
MAURICE L. SHAINE, Attorney for Receiver, 350 B'way, New York.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New York.—In Bankruptcy.—In the matter of ANTONIO CATANZARO, Bankrupt.

Chas. Shongood, U. S. Auctioneer for the Southern District of New York in bankruptcy, sells this day, Thursday, Dec. 24th, 1914, by order of the Court, at 2 P. M., at 119 Elizabeth St., Borough of Manhattan, assets of the above bankrupt, consisting of imported and domestic Italian groceries and wines, fixtures, safe, &c.

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BANKRUPTCY NOTICES.

NO. 20641.—U. S. DISTRICT COURT FOR the Southern District of New York.—In the matter of LOUIS BARNETT SONS, INC. Bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given that Louis Barnett Sons, Inc. bankrupt, has filed its petition, praying that the composition heretofore offered by it to its creditors and accepted in writing by a majority in number of creditors whose claims have been allowed, which number represents a majority in amount of such claims, may be confirmed by the Court; and that all creditors and other persons are ordered to attend at the hearing upon said petition before the Honorable District Judges at the U. S. Court House and Post Office Building, in the City and County of New York, on Monday, January 4, 1915, at 10:30 A. M., and then and there show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted, and also attend the examination of the bankrupt thereon.

JOHN J. TOWNSEND,
Referee in Bankruptcy.

U. S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHern District of New York.—No. 19981.—BENJAMIN MESSING and MOLLIE BECKERMAN individually and as copartners trading under the firm name and style of SUPERIOR UNDERWEAR CO., Bankrupts

Notice is hereby given that Benjamin Messing and Mollie Beckerman bankrupts, have filed their petition, dated December 3rd 1914 praying for a discharge from all their debts in bankruptcy, and that all creditors and other persons are ordered to attend at the hearing upon said petition before United States District Judges in the United States Court House and Post Office Building, in the City and County of New York, on Monday January 25th, 1915, at 10:30 A. M., and then and there show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioners should not be granted, and also attend the examination of the bankrupts thereon.

SEAMAN MILLER,
Referee in Bankruptcy.
New York, December 21st, 1914.

U. S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHern District of New York—No 20633 CHARLES F. DIETZ, Bankrupt

Notice is hereby given that Charles F. Dietz bankrupt, has filed his petition, dated December 15th 1914 praying for a discharge from all his debts in bankruptcy, and that all creditors and other persons are ordered to attend at the hearing upon said petition before United States District Judges in the United States Court House and Post Office Building, in the City and County of New York, on Monday January 25th, 1915, at 10:30 A. M., and then and there show cause if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted, and also attend the examination of the bankrupt thereon.

SEAMAN MILLER,
Referee in Bankruptcy.
New York, December 21, 1914

U. S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE Southern District of New York. — LOUIS SCHWARTZ, Alleged Bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given that Louis Schwartz, alleged bankrupt, has filed his petition, dated December 17th, 1914, praying for a confirmation of composition in bankruptcy, and that all creditors and other persons are ordered to attend at the hearing upon said petition before United States District Judges in the United States Court House and Post Office Building, in the City and County of New York, on Monday, January 4th, 1915, at 10:30 A. M., and then and there show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted, and also attend the examination of the alleged bankrupt thereon.

MACGRANE COXE,
Referee in Bankruptcy.
New York, Dec. 22, 1914.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, SO. Dist. N. Y.—No. 20671.—COLLEGE BRAND CLOTHES, INC., Alleged Bankrupt.

Take notice that on the 21st day of December 1914, the above proceeding was referred to me as Referee to pass upon the proposed offer of composition prior to adjudication.

A special meeting of creditors will be held at my office, 67 Wall Street, N. Y. City, January 6, 1915, at 1:45 P. M. at which time the creditors may attend, act upon the proposed offer of composition, prove their claims, examine the alleged bankrupt, and transact such other business as may come before the meeting.

New York, December 22, 1914.
WILLIAM ALLEN,
Referee in Bankruptcy.

U. S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHern District of New York—No 20310 THOMAS HYNES, Bankrupt

Notice is hereby given that Thomas Hynes bankrupt, has filed his petition, dated December 1st 1914 praying for a discharge from all his debts in bankruptcy, and that all creditors and other persons are ordered to attend at the hearing upon said petition before United States District Judges in the United States Court House and Post Office Building, in the City and County of New York, on Monday January 25th, 1915, at 10:30 A. M., and then and there show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted, and also attend the examination of the bankrupt thereon.

SEAMAN MILLER,
Referee in Bankruptcy.
New York, December 21st, 1914

U. S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHern District of New York.—No. 20207.—GUISEPPE TUOTI, Bankrupt

Notice is hereby given that Guiseppe Tuoti bankrupt, has filed his petition, dated December 9th 1914 praying for a discharge from all his debts in bankruptcy, and that all creditors and other persons are ordered to attend at the hearing upon said petition before United States District Judges in the United States Court House and Post Office Building, in the City and County of New York, on Monday January 25th, 1915, at 10:30 A. M., and then and there show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted, and also attend the examination of the bankrupt thereon.

SEAMAN MILLER,
Referee in Bankruptcy.
New York, December 21st, 1914.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, Southern District of New York.—No. 20853.—In Bankruptcy.—ELLISON VAN HOOSE, Bankrupt.

Ellison Van Hoose was duly adjudicated bankrupt on December 15, 1914 and the first meeting of creditors will be held at my office 45 Cedar Street, City of New York, on January 5, 1915 at 10:30 A. M. Creditors may then attend, prove their claims, appoint a Trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

JOHN J. TOWNSEND,
Referee in Bankruptcy.

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FINANCIAL MARKETS

Prices Drop Sharply—Adverse News Made Most Of in Bearish Pressure on Stocks.

If the reduction in the December dividend of the Pennsylvania Company from 4 per cent. last year to 1 per cent. this year meant necessarily a reduction in the Pennsylvania Railroad's present dividend rate of 6 per cent. that in itself would constitute a sufficient reason for the selling, which brought about yesterday a 1¼ point decline in the general level of prices with much sharper losses in a number of prominent issues. As a matter of fact it cannot be argued that the Pennsylvania Company's dividend reduction foreshadows a reduction in the Pennsylvania Railroad dividend.

In well-informed quarters the statement was made that there was no thought of cutting the Pennsylvania Railroad distribution to its shareholders. The lines controlled by the Pennsylvania Company have felt the effect of the depression in business more perhaps than the lines in any other territory because of the reduction in output of many manufacturing plants located in that territory. The fall in the Vandalia and Panhandle's dividends reduced the amount available for distribution by the Pennsylvania Company. Its smaller payment cuts down by $2,400,000 the Pennsylvania's realization this year from its Western lines, but that reduction is not great enough to make it necessary for the Pennsylvania Railroad to curtail its own dividend payment.

The declaration late yesterday of the New York Central dividend at the regular rate of 5 per cent. removed doubt about that road's dividend action, and went far, it would seem, toward supporting the view that a reduction in the Pennsylvania dividend is very unlikely.

The general run of Wall Street opinion, however, was that the Pennsylvania Company's reduction argued a cut in the Pennsylvania Railroad dividend. On that theory a good deal of stock was sold, much of it apparently by traders among whom bearish sentiment has strongly predominated for some days. There is little doubt that a substantial amount of actual liquidation occurred, but the borrowing demand for stocks indicated a substantial growth in the short interest.

Bearish sentiment was intensified in the afternoon by a decline in Steel to 48, the official minimum, followed by a practical cessation of trading in that stock. Further reductions in minimum prices were made yesterday, and gossip predicted a decrease in the minimum price of Steel. It was thought by some that a reduction in its minimum and a continuance of United States Steel on the Stock Exchange would be preferable to maintaining the minimum with the possible consequence of again throwing that important stock into the Street market. There are arguments on both sides of the question, and it remains to be seen which will prove decisive in determining the action of the Stock Exchange. It should be remembered, however, that a rally in the stock of even lesser proportion than yesterday's decline would remove the necessity of considering a reduction in the minimum at this time. Eventually, of course, as return is made to ordinary market conditions, minimum prices will be lifted altogether, but until that is done each case has to be considered in respect to the special circumstances.

The larger of the estimates of the amount of securities arriving from the other side by yesterday's steamer probably greatly exaggerated the amount of this incoming stock. Moreover the arrival on this side of stocks shipped from London is a money market rather than a stock market question, for it is fair to assume that practically all of this stock was sold in advance. That being so it would merely be a question of borrowing money and not of finding purchasers. Some of the estimates ran as high as $25,000,000, but bankers who have canvassed the situation carefully said that 10 per cent. of that amount would be nearer the truth.

Yesterday's declines in many issues were large enough to be disconcerting if viewed apart from the recent record of price movements. When, however, it is recalled that the average decline was five-eighths of a point less than the average advance on the first full day of Stock Exchange trading after the resumption of public dealings, it will be realized that all that has happened is that a sharp decline, following a number of days of reaction has wiped out a previous very sharp advance. The rise on the Saturday when the Exchange resumed trading in stocks and on the following Monday appeared to many to be an unwarranted show of enthusiasm, which invited selling and led to a decline which has been under way since, and which found most pronounced reflection in prices yesterday. At the low point the market was selling on the average only a quarter of a point under the opening price of Dec. 12, and at the close the general level of quotations was 1¾ points above the July 30 prices. The comparison would be regarded as very favorable were it not for the comparison with more recent prices which reflected trading enthusiasm as much as it did any more deliberate market judgment.

The Reichsbank reduced its discount rate yesterday from 6 per cent., to which it was raised at the outset of the war to 5 per cent. Official bank rates mean much less under existing European financial conditions than they ordinarily mean, but this reduction in the German bank rate is in keeping with the money conditions which have prevailed here and in England and which from this reduction may be presumed to be prevailing in the German market in less degree. More reductions were made yesterday in the rate on standing call loans. Some of these are now down to 3½ per cent., and the great bulk of them are not above 4 per cent. New call loans were again made under 3 per cent. The Federal Reserve Bank reduced its discount rate to 4½ per cent. for thirty-day bills and 5 for longer bills.

STOCK MARKET AVERAGES.

The average quotations of twenty-five leading railroad and twenty-five industrial issues yesterday and of these two groups of stocks combined with comparisons:

	High.	Low.	Last.	Ch'ge.
Railroads	68.65	67.18	67.22	—1.54
Industrials	52.63	51.86	51.88	— .99

COMBINED AVERAGE.

Dec. 16	61.98	61.40	61.64	— .09
Dec. 17	61.78	61.40	61.52	— .12
Dec. 18	61.87	60.87	61.54	+ .02
Dec. 19	61.60	61.33	61.45	— .09
Dec. 21	61.38	60.75	60.87	— .58
Dec. 22	61.09	60.62	60.81	— .06
Dec. 23	60.64	59.52	59.55	—1.26

Range of Fifty Stocks.

	—High.—		—Low.—		Last.
Dec., 1913	68.69	Dec. 26	65.10	Dec. 15	68.06
Dec., 1912	82.54	Dec. 2	72.23	Dec. 16	78.20
Dec., 1911	78.40	Dec. 20	75.06	Dec. 8	77.00
Year to date	73.30	Jan. 31	57.41	July 30	60.81
Year, 1913	79.10	Jan. 9	63.09	June 10	59.55
Year, 1912	85.52	Sep. 30	75.24	Feb. 1	78.30
Year, 1911	84.41	Jan. 26	69.57	Sep. 25	77.60

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 23, 1914.

	Stocks, (Shares.)
Total sales	156,894
Same day last year	403,029
Total year to date	47,450,288
Same period last year	81,728,672
Average price and change 50 stocks	59.55 —1.26
Same day last year	68.19 + .44

	High.		Low.	
This year's range	73.30	Jan. 31	57.41	July 30
Range year 1913	79.10	Jan. 9	63.09	June 10

Closing. Bid. | Asked. | Sales. | | First. | High. | Low. | Last. | Net Chge.

BID AND ASKED QUOTATIONS.

Closing quotations for Government bonds:

	Bid.	Asked.
2s, r, 1930	96	..
2s, c, 1930	96	97
3s, r, 1918	100	..
3s, c, 1918	100	..
4s, r, 1925	108½	..
4s, c, 1925	109⅛	..
Pan 2s, r, 1936	95¾	..

Closing quotations for stocks in which there were no transactions:

	Bid.	Asked.
Adams Ex.	..	88
Allis-C pf.	34½	37
Am Ag Ch pf.	90	92
A B S pf.	77	79
A B S & Fdy.	..	97
Am C pf.	87	89
A C & F pf.	113½	115½
Am C Pr, ex div.	..	88
Do pf.	104	105
Am Cot O.	38½	39
Do pf.	91	97½
Am Exp.	..	97
A H & L pf.	..	19
Am L pf.	..	25
A Loc pf.	..	97½
Am Malt.	4	6
Do pf.	..	32
A S pf, B.	..	79½
A S & R pf.	98	99¾
Am Snuff.	..	155
Am Sp M.	26	32
Am S R.	103	106
A T & C.	58	..
Am Tob.	215½	217
Am Wool.	14	19
Do pf.	74	77
Am Wr Pa pf.	..	11
Ann Arbor.	..	30
Do pf.	..	70
Atl C L.	..	107
Bald Loc.	..	40
Do. pf.	102¾	105
Batop M.	¾	1
Br Sh pf.	..	85
B Un G.	118	121
Bruns Ter.	..	7½
B. R & P.	..	90
But'k Co.	..	28
Cal P pf.	..	52
Canada So.	57½	..
Case (J I) pf.	..	80
C R R of N J.	..	310

MONEY AND EXCHANGE.

RESERVE BANKS DISCOUNT RATES.

	30 or Less.	30 to 60.	60 to 90.
Boston	5	5½	6
New York	4½	5	5
Philadelphia	5	5½	6
Cleveland	5	5½	6
Richmond	4½	5	5
Atlanta	4½	5	5
Chicago	5	5½	6
St. Louis	5	5½	6
Minneapolis	5½	6	6
Kansas City	5	5½	6
Dallas	5	5½	6
San Francisco	5	5½	6

BANK ACCEPTANCES.

Four to six months......3½@3¾

COLLATERAL LOANS.

Continued call loans which represent the bulk of the money now loaned nominally on call, but actually not subject to immediate call, 3½@4 per cent. Actual call loans payable upon demand, 2½@3 per cent., with the last loan at 3 per cent.

	60 Days.	90 Days.	4 to 6 Mos.
On time	3¾@4	3¾@4	3¾@4

COMMERCIAL PAPER.

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FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES.

Cable and Sight Rates.

	High.	Low.	Last.
Demand sterling	$4.85¾	$4.85⅝	$4.85¾
Cables	4.86½	4.86	4.86⅜

Closing Rates.

	Demand (or check.)	Cable.
London	$4.85¾	$4.86⅜
Paris	5.16¾	5.16
Berlin	.88⅜	.88½
Switzerland	5.23	5.22
Holland	.40 9-16	.40¾
Italy	5.31	5.30½

New York Clearing House exchanges, $245,480,227; balance, $15,940,629; Sub-Treasury credit balance, $84,276.

The local banks have lost $4,304,000 on their Sub-Treasury operations since Friday.

Exchanges at New York at domestic centres: Boston, par; Chicago, par @10c discount; St. Louis, 30c discount; San Francisco 20c premium; Minneapolis, 45c premium; Cincinnati, par; Montreal, $7.50 premium.

SILVER QUOTATIONS.

Bar silver in London, 22½d, up ⅛d; in New York, 48⅝c, up ¼c.

METAL MARKET REPORTS.

These prices were quoted on the local Metal Exchange yesterday:

	Yesterday. Bid.	Yesterday. Asked.	Tuesday. Bid.	Tuesday. Asked.
Tin	..	33.50	33.50	34.00
Lead	3.75	3.85	3.75	3.85
Iron, No. 2 X-fdy.	14.00	14.50	14.00	14.50
Spelter	5.55	5.65	5.55	5.65
Antimony	14.50	15.00	15.00	15.50

Price for iron is dollars per ton; other commodities cents per pound. London market quotations were:

	Yesterday. £	s.	d.	Tuesday. £	s.	d.
Copper, spot	57	0	0	57	0	0
Copper, futures	57	7	6	57	7	6
Tin, spot	144	5	0	144	0	0
Tin, futures	142	10	0	142	5	0
Lead	19	5	0	19	5	0
Spelter	27	0	0	27	2	6

REDUCE GERMAN BANK RATE

Is Again 5 Per Cent., the Figure Before the War Began.

BERLIN, Dec. 23, (via London.)—The rate of discount of the Imperial Bank of Germany was reduced today to 5 per cent.

This puts the rate back to what it was on July 31, previous to the beginning of hostilities in Europe.

OUTSIDE SECURITIES

Downward Trend of Prices Continued in Most of the Issues in the Outside Security Market.

Transactions in the outside security market yesterday amounted to 125,407 shares of stock and $60,000 of bonds. The sales of stocks were divided as follows: Industrials, 23,755; oils, 1,422, and mining, 100,230. In addition there were sales of 400 rights. The range of prices in all issues in which transactions were recorded were:

INDUSTRIALS.

Sales.		Open.	High.	Low.	Last.
3,500	Corp. R. & H.	7	7¼	7	7⅛
50	‡Houston Oil.	10¾	10¾	10¾	10¾
100	Int. R. Tr. cfs.	6	6	6	6
215	Maxwell Mot. 1st pf.	42	†42	41½	41½
90	N. C. & S. pf.	95	95	94¼	94¼
600	Sterling Gum.	3¾	3⅞	3¾	3⅞
4,600	Un. C. S., new	9¼	9¼	9	9
4,800	Un. P. S. C.	17	17	16¼	16¼
7,000	U. P. S., new	4⅝	4⅝	4⅛	4⅛
1,000	Wayl'd O. & G.	3½	3½	3⅜	3⅜
1,800	‡World Film.	5½	5⅝	5⅝	5⅝

MISCELLANEOUS RIGHTS.

Sales.		Open.	High.	Low.	Last.
400	Detroit Edison	1⅜	1⅜	1⅜	1⅜

STANDARD OIL SUBSIDIARIES.

Sales.		High.	Low.	Last.	Net Ch'ge.
500	Ang.-Am. Oil	15⅝	14¾	14¾	— ¼
12	Atl. Refining	590	582	582	—13
40	Buckeye P. L.	114	112	112	— 3
40	Crescent P.L.	40½	39½	39½	— 1½
27	Ill. P.L., w.i.	147	140	140	— 5
4	Ind. P. L.	100	100	100	+ 2
25	Nat. Transit.	37	37	37	— ½
5	Nor. P. L.	92	92	92	— 4
175	Ohio Oil	184½	182	183	— 1
200	Pierce O., new	15¾	15½	15½	— ¼
146	Pr. Oil & G.	466	455	455	— 8
50	St. O. of Cal.	306	305	305	— 5
18	St. O. of Ind.	470	465	465	— 2
2	St. O. of Ky.	248	248	248	+ 1
45	St. O. of N.J.	402	399	400	— 2
120	S. O. of N.Y.	201	199	199	— 2
13	Vacuum Oil.	200	199	199	— 2

MINING STOCKS.

Sales.		Open.	High.	Low.	Last.
18,700	‡*Atlanta	47	47	44½	47
500	*Booth	17	17	17	17
3,000	‡Blue Bell	5	5¼	5	5
400	Braden Cop.	6⅛	6⅛	6⅛	6⅛
1,100	*Caribou-Cob.	63	63	63	63
1,000	Comb. Frac.	10	11	10	11
300	Con. Ariz. Sm.	⅜	⅜	⅜	⅜
2,000	*C. O. D. Con.	8	8	8	8
200	*Crown Res.	70	70	70	70
2,000	*Dia. Blk. Butte	7	7	6½	7
500	*D'f'ld Daisy.	9	9	9	9
50	First Nat. Cop.	1⅛	1⅛	1⅛	1⅛
2,700	*Florence	60	61	59	60
5,700	*Gold Hill	18	25	18	25
100	Goldf'ld Con.	1½	1½	1½	1½
2,000	*G'ld'f'd Merg.	36	36½	36	36½
100	Halifax Tono.	34	34	34	34
11,200	*Jumbo Ext.	2¾	2¾	2⅝	2⅝
400	Kerr Lake	4½	4½	4½	4½
6,500	‡Kewanas	27	30	27	29
100	La Rose Con.	13-16	13-16	13-16	13-16
3,700	Lone Star	13	14	13	13¼
300	*McKin.-D.	58	58	58	58
100	M. of A., new.	2⅝	2⅝	2⅝	2⅝
3,600	*Nevada H.	30	30	25	26
21,000	*‡Oro	13	13	12½	12½
3,000	*Sand. Kendal	13½	15	13½	15
1,000	Silver Pick	13½	13½	13½	13½
500	Stand.-S.L.	1¼	1⅜	1¼	1⅜
1,400	Stewart	1½	1½	1½	1½
1,000	Tonopah Ex.	2¾	2 13-16	2⅝	2¾
2,700	Tonopah M.	36	36	35	35
80	Trinity Cop.	2⅞	2⅞	2⅞	2⅞
1,200	West E. C.	58	58	57	57
2,000	*West E. Ex.	3	3	3	3
100	Yukon G. M.	2¼	2¼	2¼	2¼

BONDS.

Sales.		Open.	High.	Low.	Last.
56,000	C. & N.W. 5s.	106⅝	106⅝	106¼	106¼
4,000	Can. Pac. 6s.	101½	101½	101½	101½

*Sell cents per share. †Odd lots. ‡Unlisted.

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Bid and asked quotations of issues not traded in compared with those of previous day:

INDUSTRIALS.

	Dec. 23. Bid.	Dec. 23. Asked.	Dec. 22. Bid.	Dec. 22. Asked.
British-Am. Tob. Co., ordinary	16¾	17	16¾	17¼
British-Am. Tob. Co., ordinary bearer	17	17½	17¼	17¾
Electric Boat	20	26	20	26
Electric Boat pf.	38	45	38	45
Kelly Springfield Tire.	65	68	66	68
Kelly Springfield Tire new 1st pf.	75	79	75	79
Kelly Springfield Tire new 2d pf.	93	97	93	97
Lehigh Val. C. S. Co.	155	170	160	170
Manhattan Transit	½	¾	⅝	¾
Marconi of America	2½	2⅝	2½	2⅝
Maxwell Motors	14	14¼	14	14¼
Max. Motors 2d pf.	16½	17½	16½	17
Riker & Heg., new	6½	7	6⅝	7
Savoy Oil	7	8	7	8
Tobacco Products pf.	84½	86	84½	86
U. Cigar Stores Co.	90	92	90	98
Willys Overland	84	85½	84	85½
Willys Overland pf.	92	94	92	94

MISCELLANEOUS RIGHT.

R. J. Reynolds	2½	2¾	2½	2¾

MINING STOCKS.

Beaver Consolidated	20	21	21	23
Cons. Nevada-Utah	¼	5-16	¼	5-16
Canada Copper	1¼	1⅜	1¼	1⅜
Crown Reserve	11-16	¾	11-16	¾
El Paso Con.	1¾	2¼	1¾	2¼
Greene-Cananea	24	26	24	26
Greenwater	4	5	4	5
Nipissing Mines Co.	5⅞	6⅛	6	6¼
North Butte Dev.	1-16	⅛	1-16	⅛
Pacific Smelters	1-16	⅛	1-16	⅛
Tonopah-Mining	7½	7¾	7½	7¾
Tularosa	1-16	⅜	1-16	⅜
Tuolomne Copper	30	30	22	27
Wett. Silver Mines	7	8	7	8

BONDS.

Chic. Elev. 5s	94	98	94	98
N. Y. C. 4½s, 1960	98	98⅛	98	98⅛
N. Y. C. 4½s, 1962	98	98⅛	98	98⅛
N. Y. C. 4½s, 1964	98	98⅛	98	98⅛

CONSOLIDATED EXCHANGE.

Sales of United States Steel were made on the Consolidated Stock Exchange early in the afternoon at 48, the minimum price established for that stock when the Wall Street Exchanges reopened for business on Dec. 12. Steel's opening price on the Consolidated had been 49, which proved its highest for the day, and after that it steadily sagged. The whole market reflected weakness, with other prominent stocks getting down to or close to their minimum figures. An unfavorable effect was exerted by the announcement of the reduction in the Pennsylvania Company dividend. The decline in prices was accompanied by an increased volume of business.

Sales.		Open.	High.	Low.	Last.
10	Alask. Gold.	24⅝	24⅝	24⅝	24⅝
1,410	Amal. Cop.	52⅝	52½	49⅝	49¾
410	Am. Beet Sug.	32¼	33¼	31⅜	31⅝
80	Am. Can.	23¾	23¾	23¾	23⅞
20	Am. Ice Sec.	20½	20½	20½	20½
110	Am. Smelt.	57	57	54¾	54¾
50	Ana. Cop.	25⅝	25⅝	24¾	24¾
210	Balt. & O.	69⅝	69⅝	67⅞	67⅞
110	Brook. R. T.	85	85	84	84
10	Cal. Pet.	15½	15½	15½	15½
30	Can. Pacific.	154	154	154	154
380	Cent. Lea.	36⅞	37	36¼	36¼
150	Ches. & O.	42⅛	42⅛	41	41
20	C. Gt. W. pf.	26½	26½	26½	26½
20	C., M. & St. P.	86½	86½	85½	85½
160	Chino Cop.	32¼	32¼	32⅛	32⅛
70	Corn Prod.	8½	8½	8½	8½
150	Erie	21⅝	21⅝	21¼	21¼
10	Erie 1st pf.	34¾	34¾	34¾	34¾
70	Gt. Nor. pf.	112⅝	112½	111¾	111¾
320	Leh. Val.	133⅜	133⅜	130¾	130¾
20	Mo., K. & T.	9½	9½	9½	9½
270	Mo. Pacific.	10	10	9⅛	9⅛
110	N. Y. Cent.	82⅞	82⅞	81⅝	81¾
110	N. Y., N. & H.	56⅜	56⅜	53¾	54
10	N. Y., O. & W.	20½	20½	20½	20½
410	Nor. Pac.	99¼	99¼	98	98
960	Pennsylvania	106⅛	106⅛	102½	102½
50	Ray Con. Cop.	15⅝	15⅝	15⅛	15⅛
1,860	Reading	144⅛	144⅛	140⅜	140½
300	Rock Isl. pf.	1⅜	1⅜	1⅜	1⅜
40	Rumley	4¼	4¼	4¼	4¼
110	South. Pac.	82¼	82½	81¼	81½
50	South. Ry.	15	15	15	15
40	Tenn. Cop.	30½	30½	30¼	30¼
1,530	Union Pac.	116⅝	116½	113½	113¾
10	U. S. Rubber.	52	52	52	52
1,450	U. S. Steel.	49	49	48	48
40	U. S. Steel pf.	104⅛	104⅛	104⅛	104⅛
52	Utah Cop.	47⅝	47⅝	46⅝	46⅝
11,222					

BONDS.

Sales.		Open.	High.	Low.	Last.
$5,000	C. R. I. & P. col. 4s.	26¼	26¼	26¼	26¼
3,000	Con Gas C. 6s w. i.	109⅛	109⅛	109⅛	109⅛
500	3d Av. ref. 4s.	79⅛	79⅛	79⅛	79⅛
1,000	U. S. Mex. 5s.	65	65	65	65
$9,500					

MINING STOCKS.

Sales.		Open.	High.	Low.	Last.
1,500	Atlanta	.45	.46½	.45	.46
1,200	Booth	.17½	.18	.17½	.18
500	Dia. B. B.	.07	.07	.07	.07
500	Elkton	.49	.50	.49	.50
300	Gold. Merg.	.36	.36	.36	.36
600	Isabella	.13	.13½	.13	.13½
750	Jumbo Ext.	2.70	2.70	2.62½	2.65
500	Nev. Hills.	.29	.29	.29	.29
200	Portland	1.10	1.10	1.10	1.10
6,050					

TREASURY STATEMENT.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Receipts and expenditures for Dec. 22:

	Dec. 22.	Month.	Fiscal Year.
Customs	$604,505	$11,223,351	$104,065,302
Ordinary	1,796,379	24,966,481	157,129,355
Corp. and inc. tax	22,749	278,030	9,101,318
Miscellaneous	66,214	2,888,979	34,809,763
Total	$2,489,847	$39,356,843	$305,014,639
Expenditures	3,038,655	43,652,450	366,483,470
Deficit	548,807	4,295,606	61,468,830

BONDS ON STOCK EXCHANGE

Total sales Dec. 23, 1914	$1,503,500
Same day last year	1,859,000
From Jan. 1, 1914	454,965,000
Same period last year	491,115,920
Average price and change 40 bonds	81.75 — .21
Same day last year	86.17 + .15

	High.		Low.	
This year's range to date	89.42	Feb. 4	81.42	Dec. 2
Range year 1913	92.31	Jan. 10	85.45	Dec. 18

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Dr. Jackpot	9¾	10¼
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Findlay	2	2¼
Gold Dollar	4¾	5¼
Isabella	13¼	13⅝

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Witness my hand and the seal of office of the Secretary of State, at the City of Albany, this eighteenth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

JOSE S. PIDGEON,
[Seal.] Second Deputy, Secretary of State.

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JAMES QUINLAN, President.
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MEETINGS AND ELECTIONS.

THE CHATHAM AND PHENIX NATIONAL BANK OF NEW YORK

The annual meeting of the shareholders of this Bank, for the election of Directors, and such other business as may properly come before the meeting, will be held at the Banking House, No. 192 Broadway, New York, on January 12, 1915. Polls open from 12 Noon to 1 P. M.

B. L. HASKINS, Cashier,
NEW YORK, DECEMBER 10, 1914.

IRVING NATIONAL BANK, NEW YORK
New York, December 1, 1914.

The annual meeting of the Shareholders of this Bank for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may be brought before it will be held in the Banking Rooms, No. 233 Broadway, Tuesday, January 12th, 1915, at 12 o'clock noon, the polls to be open from 12 o'clock noon to 1 o'clock P. M.

The transfer books will be closed from 12 o'clock noon, January 9th, 1915, until 10 o'clock A. M., January 13th, 1915.

J. F. BOUKER, Cashier.

ANNUAL MEETING OF CHILDS CO.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of Childs Company will be held at the office of the Company, 200 Fifth Ave., Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on the 31st DAY OF DECEMBER, 1914, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of electing Directors for the ensuing year and two Inspectors of Election to serve at the next Annual Meeting, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting. The polls will remain open for one hour.

CHARLES L. ROBERTS, Secretary.
Dated December 18th, 1914.

NOTICE.
December 16th, 1914.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the "Moulton Kellogg Company," for the election of Directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting, will be held at the offices of the Company, No. 55 Liberty Street, in the City of New York, on the fourth (4th) day of January, 1915, at one o'clock in the afternoon.

Yours very truly,
MOULTON KELLOGG COMPANY.
L. G. CLARKE, Secretary.

NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE IN NEW YORK.
New York, December 10, 1914.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the National Bank of Commerce in New York for the election of directors will be held at its banking house, 31 Nassau Street, New York City, on Tuesday, January 12, 1915, at 12 o'clock noon. The polls will be open from 12 o'clock to 1 P. M.

STEVENSON E. WARD, Cashier.

The Mechanics & Metals National Bank of the City of New York.
50 Wall Street, December 12, 1914.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this bank for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may be presented will be held at the Banking Rooms on Tuesday, January 12, 1915, between the hours of 12 o'clock and 1 o'clock P. M. JOSEPH S. HOUSE, Cashier.

UNITED STATES TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK.
45 Wall Street, December 22, 1914.

AN ELECTION for Trustees to supply the places of those whose terms of office expire, and for Inspectors of the next election ensuing thereafter, will be held at the office of the Company on the fifth day of Jan. next (the first Tuesday) between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M. Wilfred J. Worcester, Sec.

THE HANOVER NATIONAL BANK of the City of New York.
New York, December 12, 1914.

The Annual Election for Directors of this Bank will be held at the banking house, Nassau and Pine Streets, Tuesday, January 12th, 1915, between the hours of 12 o'clock M. and 1 o'clock P. M.

ELMER E. WHITTAKER, Cashier.

BANK OF EUROPE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders for the election of Directors of the Bank of Europe will be held at its banking rooms, No. 1,429 First Avenue, New York City, on Tuesday, January 12th, 1915, from 12 o'clock noon to 1 o'clock P. M.

By order of the Board of Directors.
FRANK A. SOVAK, Cashier.

New York, Dec. 5th, 1914.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION of Directors of THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK of the City of New York will be held at its banking house, No. 42 Wall Street, New York, on Tuesday, January 12th, 1915, from 12 noon to 1 o'clock P. M.

By order of the Board of Directors.
JOSEPH BYRNE, Cashier.

DAVIS BROWN, INC.—The annual meeting of the Directors will be held at 306 East 40th Street on Dec. 31, 1914, 3 P. M., by order of the President.
(Signed) J. DUKLAUER, Secretary.

A. BRONSON, INC.—The annual meeting of the Directors will be held at 306 East 40th Street, on Dec. 31, 1914, 5 P. M. By order of the President.
(Signed) J. DUKLAUER, Secretary.

DIVIDENDS.

KELLY-SPRINGFIELD TIRE CO.

A dividend of 1½% on the Common Stock of this Company has been declared, payable February 1, 1915, to the stockholders of record at the close of business January 15, 1915.

F. A. SEAMAN, Secretary.
New York, December 9, 1914.

THE HANOVER NATIONAL BANK of the City of New York.
New York, December 22d, 1914.

The Board of Directors have this day declared a quarterly dividend of FIVE PER CENT., payable on and after Jan. 2d, 1915. The transfer books will remain closed until that date. ELMER E. WHITTAKER, Cashier.

COMPETITION CUTS ODD LOT CHARGES

Brokers Abandon Their Plan to Add One-eighth to the Purchase Price.

STAMP TAX IS LIGHTER

Distribution of Business in Fractional Amounts of Stock Wider Than Ever Before.

Odd lots of stock will hereafter not cost the public so much as they have since the Stock Exchange re-opened. Brokerage firms which act as "dealers" in fractional amounts of stock notified their customers yesterday that the movement undertaken to add one-eighth to former purchase price of odd lots after the war tax was imposed had been abandoned because of severe competition on the board. Buyers of shares in blocks less than 100 each will now be able to get what they want within one-eighth of the price for 100 shares at the moment, instead of within one-quarter of a point of the 100 share market figure.

The custom of charging 12½ cents more a share for buying odd lots than for the conventional unit of 100 shares has been permitted by the Exchange to reimburse dealers for the expense of splitting up large certificates into smaller ones. In selling odd lots the customer has received 12½ cents less than the ordinary market price. The selling price ratio was not disturbed by the imposition of the war tax.

Four of the five recognized odd lot dealers decided when the extra Federal transfer tax of 2 cents a share was added to the State tax of the same amount that they would have to charge the additional 12½ cents a share to cover their increased expenses. It was understood when the decision was made and announced that a 25-cent stamp would also have to be placed on the back of each new certificate issued, whether it called for 1 or 100 shares of stock. An interpretation of the stamp tax provision made by the Treasury Department a few days ago removed the 25 cent tax, thereby cutting off heavy aggregate expenses from the odd lot dealers, but the prescribed method of doing business was continued.

As a result of the increased profit contained in the extra charge, numerous brokers who had not previously paid any attention to odd lot dealings entered the field. Shortly before trading was transferred from the Clearing House to the Exchange floor about fifteen brokers registered at the Clearing House as odd lot dealers, and continued their operations on the board after the re-opening. The result was extensive price cutting under the figure established by the original dealers, and the distribution of business in odd lots to a wider extent among members of the Exchange than it had ever been before.

The quality of trading under price restrictions has worked to facilitate the business of the odd lot men. In the quiet trading since the Exchange opened up, speculation in 100-share blocks has been small and dealings in fractional amounts have been active. Commission men welcomed the opportunity offered for doing business in odd lots at less than the prescribed figure, and a great deal of trade was taken away from the specialists.

Competition in the odd lot department since the re-opening emphasizes the extent to which the public has lately engaged in trading in small blocks of stock. The Annalist on Monday stated that last year odd lot transactions, with a total of 27,083,901 shares, supplied 32 per cent. of the business of the Exchange in stocks.

MINE SUIT FOR $6,262,000.

Guggenheim Interests Made Co-Defendants in Colorado Litigation.

Special to The New York Times.

DENVER, Dec. 23.—Samuel D. Nicholson, defeated for the Republican Gubernatorial nomination at the recent primaries, is named as a conspirator in a suit filed today for the recovery of $6,262,000, which is alleged to have been obtained by the Guggenheim interests in taking minerals from mines in Lake County, Col., which were under lease. These leases are declared by the complainants to have been void.

The plaintiffs in the suit, which was filed in the Federal District Court, are Rufus R. Elder and Frank E. Mann, executors of the estate of George W. Elder of Lewistown, Penn. In addition to Nicholson they have named as defendants the American Smelting and Refining Company, Guggenheim Exploration Company, American Smelting Securities Company, Empire Mining Company, and the A. M. W. Mining Company and Adams Mining Company.

The plaintiffs charged that Nicholson and the other defendants took a lease of the properties of the Adams Mining Company to the Western Mining Company, whose original President was ex-Senator Simon Guggenheim. Nicholson is now President of the latter concern, and the other officers are William E. Merriss, Brooklyn, First Vice President; F. R. Foraker, Brooklyn, Secretary; F. W. Hills, Mount Vernon, N. Y., Treasurer.

Elder and Mann allege that the stockholders have been prevented from seeing the books of the Adams Mining Company, that Nicholson and others have elected themselves to office and that the stockholders have been defrauded of millions since the contract with the Western company was made in 1899.

Malone Thanks Customs Men.

In a letter to men in the Customs Service Collector Malone yesterday wished them all a Merry Christmas and thanked them for the loyalty and industry. He pointed out that although the war had doubled the work of many, persons ignorant of conditions had demanded retrenchment, but he had refused to reduce the staff. He thinks the Government should set an example by taking care of faithful employes.

NEW YORK CITY BONDS AND NOTES.

	Wednesday. Bid.	Wednesday. Asked.	Tuesday. Bid.	Tuesday. Asked.
6s ..Sept., 1915	101''	101½	101¼	101½
6s ..Sept., 1916	102¾	103	102¾	103
6s ..Sept., 1917	104¼	104½	104¼	104½
4½s..March, 1963	104	104¼	103⅞	104¼
4½s..May, 1957	104	104¼	104	104¼
4½s..Nov., 1957	104	104¼	104	104¼
4½s..May, 1917	100⅝	100¾	100⅝	100¾
4½s..Nov., 1917	100⅝	100¾	100⅝	100¾
4¼s..March, 1964	98	98¼	98	98¼
4¼s..March, 1962	98	98¼	98	98⅛
4¼s..Sept., 1960	98	98¼	98	98⅛
4¼s..March, 1930-60	98⅝	98¾	98⅝	98¾
4s ..May, 1959	95¼	95⅝	95¼	95½
4s ..Nov., 1958	95¼	95⅝	95¼	95½
4s ..May, 1957	95¼	95⅝	95¼	95½
4s ..Nov., 1956	94	95½	94	95½
4s ..Nov., 1955	94	95½	94	95½
4s ..Nov., 1936	95	96	95	96
4s ..1918-1919	98½	..	98½	..
3½s..Nov., 1954-5	84¼	85	84⅛	85
3½s..May, 1954	84¼	85	84⅛	84¾
3½s..1950-1954	83¾	84½	83¾	84½

RAILWAY EQUIPMENT BONDS.

The following are quoted on a percentage basis:

Name.	Maturity.	Rate.	Bid.	Ask.
Atl. Coast Line	1914-'21	4 @4½	4.95	4.75
Balt. & Ohio	1914-'23	4½	5.00	4.80
Buff., Roch. & P.	1914-'30	4½@5	4.90	4.65
Canadian Pacific	1915-'28	4½	5.05	5.00
Ches. & Ohio	1914-'17	4½	5.10	4.80
Chicago & N. W.	1914-'23	4½	4.88	4.62
C., Ind. & Louis.	1914-'23	4½	5.62	5.20
C., St. L. & N. O.	1915-'24	5	5.05	4.95
Del. & Hudson	1922	4½	4.88	4.60
Erie Railroad	1914-'23	4½@5	5.30	5.10
Hocking Valley	1914-'23	4 @5	5.15	4.88
Illinois Central	1914-'23	4½@5	4.95	4.75
Louis. & Nash.	1914-'23	5	4.88	4.70
Mo., Kan. & T.	1914-'23	5	6.30	5.70
Missouri Pacific	1914-'22	5	6.80	6.20
N. Y. Cent. Lines	1915-'28	4½@5	5.30	5.15
Norfolk & West.	1915-'24	4½	4.88	4.62
N. Y., N. H. & H.	1915-'28	6	5.60	5.30
Penn. G. Freight	1914-'23	4 @4½	4.75	4.50
St. L., I. M. & So.	1914-'24	5	5.95	5.30
Seaboard A. L.	1914-'23	5	5.30	5.10
Southern Railway	1914-'24	4½@5	5.20	4.90
Southern Pacific	1914-'23	4½	5.00	4.90
Virginia Rwy.	1914-'19	5	5.65	5.10

CUT MINIMUM QUOTATIONS.

Stock Exchange Makes Further Reductions on Standard Shares.

The Stock Exchange Committee on Minimum Prices reduced yesterday the minimum quotations for the second time on these shares:

Atlantic Coast Line, from 107 to 102.
Louisville & Nashville, from 120 to 115.
Seaboard Air Line, from 43 to 40.
Southern Railway, from 15 to 14.
Southern Railway preferred, from 61 to 58.
United Fruit, from 115 to 113.

The price of Virginia-Carolina Chemical was lowered from 20 to 17 and Virginia-Carolina preferred was dropped from 92 to 85. Action on the last-named stock was caused by the decision of the Directors on Tuesday to defer the quarterly dividend.

REPAIR SHOP TO OPEN.

New Haven and Hartford Plants to Resume Work Monday.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 23.—Locomotive and car repair shops of the entire New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad system will resume work on Monday next instead of on Jan. 4 to which latter date the shutdown was originally made, according to an official statement made at the offices of the company here today. The shops are at Readville, Mass.; Valley Falls, R. I., East Hartford, Conn., and in this city. Many hundreds of men who are now idle, will return to work.

RAILROAD EARNINGS.

The railroads reporting so far for the second week of December show these aggregating changes in gross earnings, those reporting increases and those reporting decreases being stated separately:

Three roads	$1,137,461	+ 184,730
Twenty-five roads	10,277,806	—2,658,100
Total (28 roads)	11,415,267	—2,473,370

INTERBOROUGH RAPID TRANSIT for Nevomber—

	1914	1913.	1912.
Gross	2,833,911	2,821,495	2,811,522
Net after tax.	1,609,955	1,606,613	1,539,935
Other income	48,908	43,834	34,899
Total income	1,658,863	1,650,447	1,574,834
Sur. af. chgs.	751,001	742,584	656,672
Pass. carried	54,975,302	55,146,719	54,922,522
5 mos. gross	13,270,340	12,963,723	12,774,341
Net after tax.	7,231,358	6,910,976	6,541,834
Other income	228,964	272,668	160,596
Total income	7,460,322	7,183,645	6,702,430
Sur. aft. chgs.	2,913,539	2,428,669	2,107,058
Pass. car'd	256,832,300	252,889,412	248,971,036

WHEELING & LAKE ERIE for November—

Gross	396,316	673,709	714,826
Net after tax.	93,941	211,373	238,157
5 mos. gross	2,545,944	8,919,481	3,761,657
Net after tax.	664,066	1,084,982	1,421,030

Miscellaneous Earnings.

AMERICAN ICE COMPANY for the year ended Oct. 31—

	1914.	1913.	1912.
Gross	$8,826,881	$10,490,616	$8,638,406
Cost of mer. and op. exp.	7,034,642	7,462,333	6,950,719
Net	1,792,238	3,028,283	1,687,687
Other income	10,245	24,592	18,013
Total income	1,802,483	3,052,874	1,705,700
Net profit	408,866	1,659,320	369,245
Bond int., ins., taxes, rts., & add. & bett.	*1,393,617	1,393,554	1,336,455

*Includes $615,454 expenditures for maintaining and improving properties and equipment.

CENTRAL STATES ELECTRIC CORPORATION for November—

	1914.	1913.	Increase.
Gross	377,523	374,084	3,439
Net after taxes	195,986	183,641	12,345
Balance after amortz., pf. divs. and int.	161,883	150,264	11,619
Surp. aft. dep.	124,131	112,864	11,267
12 mos. gross	4,249,869	3,971,292	278,576
Net after taxes	2,008,440	1,926,765	81,674
Bal. after int., pf. divs., and amortization	1,583,954	1,511,447	72,507
Surp. aft. dep.	1,158,969	1,067,083	91,885

CONSUMERS' POWER OF MICHIGAN for November—

Gross	303,692	291,035	12,657
Net earnings	198,833	172,984	25,849
Surp. aft. chgs.	102,997	84,655	18,342
Bal. after pf. dividends	69,497	57,155	11,342
11 mos. gross	3,079,902	2,830,186	249,716
Net earnings	1,992,215	1,528,979	463,236
Surp. aft. chgs	955,978	632,943	323,035
Bal. after pf. dividends	632,478	341,943	290,535

PUBLIC UTILITY SECURITIES.

	Bid.	Asked.
Adirondack Electric Power	13	16
Adirondack Electric Power pf.	41	45
*American Gas & Electric	88	†91
*American Gas & Electric pf.	47	48
American Light & Traction	319	323
American Light & Traction pf.	108	110
American Power & Light	62	65
American Power & Light pf.	82	85
American Public Utilities	35	45
American Public Utilities pf.	64	†68
American Water Works & Electric	5	6
Am. W. W. & E. participating pf.	17	20
Am. W. W. & E. 1st pf.	56	59
Cities Service	45	48
Cities Service pf.	53	56
Colorado Power Co	13½	15
Colorado Power Co. pf.	85	90
Commonwealth P., R. & L.	54	56
Commonwealth P., R. & L. pf.	78	80
Denver Gas & Electric gen. 5s	89½	92
Electric Bond Deposit pf.	40	60
Electric Bond & Share pf.	97	100
Empire District Electric 5s	..	71
Empire District Electric pf.	..	70
Federal Light & Traction	10	16
Federal Light & Traction pf.	47	53
Gas & Electric Securities	..	75
Gas & Electric Securities pf.	..	80
Lincoln Gas & Electric	15	25
Northern Ontario Light & Pow.	11	15
Northern Ontario L. & P. pf.	53	57
Northern States Power	20½	22¼
Northern States Power pf.	81	82
Ozark Power & Water	..	20
Pacific Gas & Electric	43	44
Pacific Gas & Electric pf.	80	83
Republic Ry. & Light Co.	18	21
Republic Ry. & Light Co. pf.	68	71
Southern California Edison	76	80
Southern California Edison pf.	90	92
*Standard Gas & Electric	5½	7
*Standard Gas & Electric pf.	17½	19
Tennessee Ry., Light & Power	7	9
Tennessee Ry., Light & Power pf.	35	42
United Light & Rys.	48	46
United Light & Rys. 1st pf.	69	72
United Light & Rys. 2d pf.	65	68
Utah Securities	14	16
Western Power	13	15
Western Power pf.	56	59

*Par value $50. †Ex dividend.

SHORT TERM NOTES.

Security.	Rate.	Due.	Bid.	Ask.	Yield.
Amal Cop.	5	Mar. 15,'15	100⅛	100⅝	3.50
Am. Loco.	5	July, 1915	100	100½	4.00
Am T. & T. sub.	5	Apr., 1916	100	100⅛	4.90
Am. Tob., sc.	6	Sep., 1915	100¾	101⅛	4.35
Balt. & Ohio	4½	June, 1915	100	100⅛	4.25
Beth. Steel	5	June 11,'15	100	100¼	4.47
B'klyn R. T.	5	July, 1918	98⅝	98⅞	5.40
Can. Pacific	6	Mar. 2,'24	101½	102	5.70
Ches. & Ohio	5	June, 1919	90	90½	7.60
C. & W. Ind.	5	Sep., 1915	99¼	99⅝	5.50
Chi. El. Rys.	5	July, 1916	93½	97½	6.65
Con. Gas	6	June, 1915	100 3/16	100⅜	4.19
Con.P.(Minn.)	6	May, 1917	96	97¾	7.00
Erie R. R.	5	Apr., 1915	99¼	99½	6.75
Erie R. R.	5	Oct., 1915	97¾	98½	6.90
Erie R. R.	5½	Apr., 1917	95¼	96¼	7.30
Gen. Motors	6	Oct., 1915	100½	101	4.90
Gen. Rubber	4½	July, 1915	99⅜	99⅝	5.20
H. R. & P.	5	May, 1915	95	97	12.50
Hock. Valley	6	Nov., 1915	99⅞	100⅛	5.85
Int. Harv.	5	Feb. 15,'15	100	100¼	3.75
Lack. Steel	5	Mar., 1915	98⅞	99½	7.50
L. G. & El.	6	Apr. 1, '18	95	97	7.00
L. S. & M. S.	5	June, 1915	4.87	4.50	..
L. S. & M. S.	5	Sep., 1915	99⅞	100	5.00
L. S. & M. S.	5	Dec., 1915	99⅞	100	5.00
Mich. Cent.	4½	Mar. 2,'15	100	100¼	3.50
Minn. Gen. L.	6	June,1,'17	99¼	99¾	6.10
M. T. & P.	6	Apr., 1915	99	100	6.00
N. E. Nav.	6	May, 1917	90¾	91½	10.00
N. Y. Cent.	5	Apr., 1915	99½	99⅞	5.85
N. Y. Cent.	4½	May, 1915	99¼	99¾	5.10
N. Y. Cent.	5	Sep. 15,'15	98¾	99¾	5.35
N. Y. Cent.	5	Oct., 1915	98½	99¼	5.90
N.Y.,N.H.&H.	5	May, 1915	96½	98	10.00
Pac. G. & E.	5	Mar.25,'15	99⅞	100⅛	4.55
P. R. R. cv.	3½	Oct., 1915	99¼	99½	4.15
P. S. Corp. of N. J.	5	Mar., 1916	98¼	98¾	6.10
Sea. Air L.	5	Mar., 1916	97¼	98¾	6.00
Southern Ry.	5	Feb., 1916	98¼	99¼	5.70
Southern Ry.	5	Mar., 1917	97¾	98¼	5.75
Sulz. & Sons.	6	June, 1916	98½	99½	6.35
U. S. Smelt.	5	June, 1918	94½	95½	6.50
Union Type.	5	Jan.15,'16	97½	98½	6.35
United Fruit	6	May, 1917	100	100¾	5.65
United Fruit	5	May, 1918	96½	97½	5.82
Utah Co.	6	Apr., 1917	97⅛	99	6.50
West. Power	6	Jne. 18,'15	99	99½	7.00

SECURITIES AT AUCTION.

Following securities were sold at auction yesterday by Adrian H. Muller & Son, auctioneers, Exchange Salesroom, 14 Vesey Street:

$2,000 Valley Stream Development Company bonds, $50 lot.

100 shares Western Pacific Railroad Company, $100 each, $1.25 per share.

340 shares Williams Commission Company, New York, $50 each, $100 lot.

4 shares Hatch Realty Company, 58 West Forty-sixth Street, 100.

10 shares Cincinnati Centrifugal Process Mining Company of Arizona, $100 each, $3 lot.

70 shares First National Bank of Roselle, N. J., $100 each, 102½.

$20 000 Sea Beach Railway consolidated 4 per cent. bonds, due 1916, 97¾.

$26,000 Kings County Electric Light and Power Company convertible 6 per cent. bonds, due 1922, 115½.

600 shares Kings County Electric Light and Power Company, $100 each, 117½-118.

COTTON'S UPTURN SUFFERS A CHECK

Market Becomes Reactionary, with a Decline of 10 to 11 Points.

NO WEAKNESS WAS SHOWN

Setback Thought to be a Natural Attempt to Correct the Staple's Technical Position.

Cotton turned reactionary yesterday, and the upward movement that has been practically continuous for nearly ten days was broken by a net decline of 10 to 11 points. There was no weakness, however, and the close was steady.

The setback is generally believed to be in the nature of a correction of the technical position. The market is still narrow and any movement which sets in without a break for a week or so is likely to produce a one-sided condition. The sharp upturn of Tuesday afternoon was caused by the final run to cover by some of the local professionals that had been fighting the advance. Consequently, when selling came upon the market yesterday morning, the result was a sharp reaction.

For about the first time this season considerable Southern selling was in evidence. This was in the nature of hedging, and the chief offerings came from the South. New Orleans also was a liberal seller. Brokers for some of the leading spot interests also sold rather freely.

The Southern spot markets were generally steady and some further advances were recorded. The record of exports for the day showed liberal shipments to Japan, amounting to 17,791 bales.

It does not seem probable that there will be much in the way of business today aside from transactions of the usual evening-up character. The Liverpool Cotton Exchange will close at 1 o'clock, Greenwich time, and will stay closed until Tuesday, Dec. 29. The New York and New Orleans markets will close this afternoon until Monday morning.

Members of the Cotton Exchange decided by a ballot of 69 to 3 in favor of the proposed amendment making a knowledge of the cotton business a qualification to membership in the New York Cotton Exchange. The adoption of this amendment does not mean that such qualification has hitherto been ignored, for in quite a number of instances young men with strong financial backing have applied for membership and have been forced to wait until they had served some sort of apprenticeship. The new amendment, however, will give the Membership Committee or Board of Managers sufficient authority to make a stand on the question.

Henry H. Royce, Chairman of the Special Clearing House Committee, has announced that a meeting will be held next Monday in the gallery of the Exchange, and those who intend to join the Clearing House Association are requested to be present.

Southern spot markets as reported officially were steady. The local market for spot cotton was quiet and unchanged, with 7.65 for middling upland; sales, 200 bales.

The market closed steady. The range of contract prices was as follows:

	High.	Low.	Close.	Pv.Close.
December	7.46	7.30	7.23@7.25	7.33@7.35
January	7.55	7.48	7.44@7.46	7.55@7.56
March	7.80	7.63	7.62@7.64	7.73@7.74
May	7.98	7.80	7.80@7.81	7.93@7.94
July	8.13	7.98	7.98@7.99	8.09@8.10
October	8.39	8.23	8.23@8.24	8.34@8.35

RECEIPTS AT LEADING PORTS.

	Yesterday.	Last Week.	Last Year.
Galveston	19,036	30,088	18,716
New Orleans	7,836	9,601	18,105
Mobile	720	917	849
Savannah	14,345	12,403	9,782
Charleston	2,450	2,597	883
Wilmington	1,432	949	1,912
Norfolk	3,402	3,414	3,721

Total port receipts, 56,409, against 53,962 same day last year.

RECEIPTS AT PRINCIPAL INTERIOR POINTS.

	Yesterday.	Last Week.	Last Year.
Augusta	2,214	2,017	..
Memphis	3,532	5,378	4,329
St. Louis	934	4,164	..
Houston	16,121	14,992	9,436

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS.

	Today.	Last Week.	Last Year.
Galveston	16,000 to 17,500	20,784	11,243
New Orl'ns	18,800 to 20,000	11,230	18,440

Total exports yesterday, 23,865; so far this season, 2,191,502, against 5,096,047 for same period last year.

SPOT MARKETS.

Sales.		Price Middling.	Stocks. 1914.	Stocks. 1913.
2,750	New Orleans	7⅜	315,696	276,127
550	Mobile	7⅛	49,889	55,844
4,095	Savannah	7¼	265,762	157,832
1,053	Galveston	7⅝	436,758	251,460
——	Wilmington	7⅛	39,311	30,423
1,114	Norfolk	7¼	77,372	63,829
2,801	Augusta	7⅞	162,387	91,537
3,700	Memphis	7½	272,911	257,256
150	St. Louis	7¼	32,854	26,639
5,265	Houston	7⅞	173,089	172,590

The Liverpool market was steady. There was a quiet business in spot cotton, with middling 11 points advance at 4.58d. Sales, 6,000 bales. Receipts, 36,000 bales, including 23,400 American. Closed barely steady.

COTTON POOL $85,000,000.

Chicago's Quota of About $14,000,000 Formally Subscribed.

The Cotton Loan Committee received word from Chicago yesterday that its quota of the $100,000,000 pool, amounting to about $14,000,000, had been formally subscribed.

This brings the total subscribed so far to about $85,000,000, with Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Richmond, San Francisco, and other cities to be heard from.

NEW INCORPORATIONS.

Special to The New York Times.

ALBANY, Dec. 23.—Incorporated today:

H. Baker & Co., crucibles, tools, steel products, surgical instruments, leather, hardware, $500,000; H. Audley, T. A. O'Callaghan, H. L. Stowell, 57 5 Av.

Rocky River Development Co., Buffalo, oil, gas, minerals, $250,000; E. Wedekindt, P. G. Schaefer, J. F. Nagel.

Manigua Park Corp., realty, $100,000; W. H. Widner, W. A. Lewis, H. C. Berry, Buffalo.

Bell Dentrifice Corp., $50,000; M. L. Spector, I. J. Sasmor, N. Perla, 1,626 Madison Av.

George W. Brownyard Co., Rochester, fireproof construction, $50,000; H. S. Day, H. P. Swinton, G. W. Brownyard.

Hamilton Sales Co., vending, slot machines, $10,000; C. E. Panoff, H. Eisenstadt, Oscar W. Hamilton, 505 W. 183 St.

Noxall Waist Co., $10,000; J. Hoffman, S. Lieber, N. Fineman, 953 Av. St. John.

Adolph N. Baumann, realty, $10,000; Dorothy Kellar, J. A. and A. N. Baumann, 1,360 Greene Av., B'klyn.

Livingston Manufacturing Co., women's, children's apparel, $12,000; H., D., and H. Levison, 15 W. 24 St.

Kimia Products Co., Buffalo, chemicals, drugs, scientific apparatus, $10,000; A. R. Reid, E. E. Vongerichten, O. J. Meyers.

Endler-Slutzky Co., ladies' tailoring, $5,000; I. Abramowitz, E. S. Klarew, L. Tendler, 119 Manhattan Av., B'klyn.

Neptune Storage Van Co., New Rochelle, $5,000; C. Siegloch, C. and E. Kirschensaum.

Mercantile Stores Corp., department store, $5,000; J. S. Alexander, H. D. Cooper, G. H. Milliken, 79 Leonard St.

Murray & Broking, cotton goods, $40,000; T. J. Harton, M. A. and H. A. Broking, 309 Lafayette Av., B'klyn.

American Feature Film Co., Rochester, $10,000; Cora L., E. A. and E. A. Westcott, Jr.

No. 44 Suffolk Street Realty Corp., $5,000; G., A. D., and K. E. Ach, 419 Beverly Road, B'klyn.

Capital Increase—Royal Trimming Co., N. Y., $10,000 to $25,000.

Capital Reduction—United Timber Corp., N. Y., $2,500,000 to $1,000,000.

Dissolutions—Script Realty Co., B'klyn; Wagner Sales Corp., N. Y.; Keen & Jaffe, N. Y.; the Foordmore Co., N. Y.

FINANCIAL NOTES.

A. B. Leach & Co. have issued a pamphlet on "The Problem of the Railroads and Railroad Securities," which shows the progress made since 1831 in transportation and locomotive construction.

The Directors of the Chase National Bank have ordered a Christmas distribution to the employes amounting to 10 per cent. of their annual salaries.

WOOL MARKET ACTIVE.

Big Sales Made, Although Prices Are Higher Than for Weeks.

Special to The New York Times.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—The American Wool and Cotton Reporter will say tomorrow:

"The past week has seen much greater activity in the wool market than at any similar period for several weeks, the sales amounting to 4,500,000 pounds, nearly three times the quantity transferred during the previous week. Handlers of scoured and pulled wools have had a particularly active demand for their stocks. B supers, in particular, have been in very active request, and it is reported that the available supply in the local market is practically limited to the quantities held by two factors who specialize in wools of this character. It is but a few weeks ago that B's were purchasable at 41 to 43 cents, but at the present time it is a very inferior wool that cannot be marketed at 55 to 56 cents, while 59 and 60 cents are regular quotations for the better types of B's.

"There has been a notable increase in the inquiry for finer types of wool, which have sold in fair quantity, while transactions in fleeces are somewhat larger than in recent weeks.

"Rumors to the effect that the embargo was to be released have resulted in considerable purchasing of merinos for the domestic market at the Australian sales, though as yet it is impossible to obtain permission from the British Government for their shipment to the United States.

"The scarcity of medium and low wools in the domestic market, and the impossibility of importing Australasian crossbreds has led to larger purchases than normal of South American wools for domestic use.

"There have been some very satisfactory orders for uniform cloths from European sources, and some of our larger concerns have a sufficient volume of orders now in hand to keep their equipment fully occupied until well into the new year.

"Broadcloths are in moderate demand and there is every reason to believe that a very satisfactory market will be accomplished in the near future, and that prices will advance materially because of conditions in the raw material market.

"The cotton goods market shows a slight improvement, though the unsettled price of raw materials tends to make the buyer conservative in his operations. Fine and fancy goods are in an unsatisfactory position; small contracts are coming forward but prices are low. Some factories have reduced prices on certain lines and it is understood they have succeeded in obtaining some business on the lower basis.

"Worsted yarns are in limited demand, though prices have remained firm, largely because of the critical situation in the raw material market.

VOTING TRUST TO END.

International Mercantile Marine Issues a Statement.

The voting trustees of the International Mercantile Marine Company yesterday announced that the voting trust agreement, dated Oct. 28, 1902, would be annulled on Feb. 23, 1915, instead of its scheduled date of expiration, Oct. 1, 1917. Holders of trust certificates issued for Marine Company stocks are notified that they may be exchanged for definitive stock certificates after Feb. 23. This statement was issued yesterday in explanation of the dissolution of the voting trust:

In view of the serious interruption of ocean transportation and the world-wide financial disturbance consequent upon the European war, the International Mercantile Marine Company felt obliged to defer payment of interest due Oct. 1, 1914, on its 4½ per cent. mortgage and collateral trust gold bonds.

The voting Trustees have accordingly deemed proper now to dissolve the voting trust so that the company's shareholders may be in a position to act independently as they may deem best for their own interests in case a readjustment of the company's finances and capitalization shall be necessary.

The announcement added that the war had seriously affected earnings, and they must continue to be reduced for some time to come.

RESERVE BANK CUTS RATE.

Thirty-Day Bills Set at 4 1-2 Per Cent., with 5 for Longer Periods.

The Federal Reserve Bank of New York reduced its discount rates yesterday to 4½ per cent. for bills having not more than thirty days to run and 5 per cent. for others. This is the lowest schedule that has yet been adopted by any reserve bank. The tendency has been downward ever since they opened, owing to the increasing ease in the money market.

The new rate in this district is not yet low enough, in the opinion of bankers, to encourage any great amount of rediscounting, as four months' money is available here at 4 per cent. or less.

BUSINESS TROUBLES

MARY VELY BEY, sometimes known as Mary Sturges, doing business as Desti, dealer in perfumery at 347 Fifth Avenue, has filed a petition in bankruptcy, with liabilities of $10,796 and assets of $1,548, consisting of stock, $1,000, and accounts, $548. She also has some furnishings in Paris, subject to debts, in which the equity is nominal, and she also has a claim against Daisy Andrews. Among the creditors are the Metropolitan Opera Company, $210, for advertising; Hotel Wolcott, $150, and A. Houzot of Paris, $2,000, rent. She owes $6,800 to creditors in Paris. She has been in business here for one year. Judge Hough appointed William J. Eichbauer receiver, under a bond of $500.

AARON M. KOSOFSKY.—A petition has been filed against Aaron M. Kosofsky of 25 and 27 West Forty-second Street, a dealer in women's apparel, by these creditors: Louis Altschul, $329; Joseph Sokolower, $368, and Irving Wolins, $100. Liabilities are $15,000 and assets $7,500. Mr. Kosofsky, it is said, has had some litigation over the use of the names of well-known firms and corporations for his business.

HARRY RODIN, dealer in clothing and hats at Poughkeepsie, has filed a petition in bankruptcy here, with liabilities of $3,850 and assets of $369, consisting of stock, $175; accounts, $172, and cash, $22.

LEICHTER BROTHERS, manufacturers of dresses at 13 East Eighth Street, has filed schedules, showing liabilities of $5,926 and assets, consisting of accounts, $85, and stock, machinery, and fixtures, turned over to the assignee, values not stated.

ANDREW CUNEO.—Judge Mayer of the Federal Court has confirmed a composition of Andrew Cuneo, private banker of 28 Mulberry Street, with creditors at 100 cents on the dollar. Clarence S. Houghton, the receiver, William Hartfield and Jonah J. Goldstein are authorized to organize a corporation to carry out the terms of the composition. The corporation will liquidate the assets and issue certificates of indebtedness to depositors to share pro rata in any dividends which may be declared. Any disputes over claims are to be referred to Leon Lauterstein for settlement.

SHAPIRO SILVERMAN CLOAK COMPANY.—Benjamin Shapiro, Elias Silverman, and Samuel Wegekevitch, who do business as the Shapiro Silverman Cloak Company at 119 and 121 Wooster Street, have made an assignment to Nathaniel Walkof.

MANDEL SHAPIRO, jobber and manufacturer of hats and caps at 35 Bond Street has made an assignment to Isaac Steinhaus.

VICTOR BERNBLIT, retail furrier at 2,373 Broadway, has made an assignment to Morris Quasha.

JUDGMENTS.

These judgments were filed yesterday in New York County; the first name being that of the debtor:

Appollo Mfg. Co.—M. Salmowitz et al, $519.
A. L. Chatterton Co.—S. S. Blood, $648.
Beveridge, J. Wallace—R. C. Bolling, $224.
Bley, Sophie—K. R. Troy, $438.
Bernstein, Freeman—C. Roberts, $376.
Bank, Hyman—City of N. Y., $264.
Becker, George—L. Sass, $215.
Bennett, Joseph C.—A. L. Libman, $199.
Baker, Byron J.—Bankers, $691.
Butler, Edward M.—W. H. Rutter, $101.
Berkovitz, Frank, and Julius Michael—A. H. Barashick, $164.
Bernstein, Louis, and Nathan—N. Y. County National Bank, $5,084.
Chace Trucking Co.—Canavan Bros. Co., $144.
Central Park Realty Co. and Ernest Scharp—H. Lehman, $1,096.
Curry, Ida—M. Mendel, $105.
"Conhaims"—Junior Dress Co., $200.
Creed, Frank O.—Security Co., $126.
Carvel, Richard, and National Surety Co.—F. Amanna, $6,026.
Davidson, Herbert E.—Transportation Club, $100.
Dickey, William W.—P. Murphy, $5,133.
Fremontes, Louis A.—Knickerbocker Distilling Co., Inc., $1,533.
Frost, Halstead H., Helen Tarbox Orvis, and Edward C. Orvis, ex'rs—J. Hebron, $957.
Flora, Luigi—F. H. Bolton et al, $1,448.
Granat, Max—Hannis Distilling Co., $426.
Greenberg, Morris, and Mary—Bank of U. S., $113.
Gillette, Harry—T. Allison, $110.
Geis, Leopold H.—T. Allison, $110.
Ginsburg, Myer—L. Danzig et al, $131.
Haase, William A.—Harlem Supply Co., $245.
Heineman, Isaac—Jewell Bros., Inc., $1,855.
High Grade Feature Film Co., Inc.—Greenwich Lithographing, Inc., $218.
Heddendorf, William H.—T. Hulberg, $168.
Hebron, James—P. Lenges, $163.
Hueg, Herman—Acme Electric Garage, $878.
Huebner, Martin—R. Coane, $168.
Hutner, Joseph—J. Schwartz, $247.
Jackson, Charles N.—American Newspaper Pub. Ass'n, Inc., $852.
Jarcho, Solomon, and Barney Schreiber—N. Y. Telephone Co., $128.
Kass, Abraham L.—J. Kasketnik, $336.
King Fire Signal Co.—W. M. Miner, $1,661.
Kanrich, Simon—J. Newmark, $896.
Lambrosa, Antonio and Philip—J. Trombetta, 437.
Lindsay, Carrie J.—G. W. Roberts, $256.
Lion Machine Co.—S. Markstein, $1,081.
Liebes, Arthur—Fairchild Pub. Co., $404.
Same—Fairchild Adv., Inc., $284.
Liebman, David—C. Harwood, $232.
Melton, Walter—J. P. Devine, $534.
McKeon, Jack—McCord & Mace, Inc., $194.
McGuire, William S.—Broadway Cortlandt Co., $1,189.
Max & Mahlen Costume Co., Inc.—Arthur B. Albertis Co., $670.
Same—Same, $1,969.
Motion Picture Camera Co., Inc.—P. O. Schiller, $1,284.
Model Construction Co. and Louis Weiner—Eagle Cornice and Skylight Works, Inc., $428.
Miles, Charles H., Theatre Booking Corp.—E. Jose, $769.
Motion Picture Camera Co., Inc.—J. A. Cantor Printing Co., Inc., $349.
McIntosh, Frederick E.—J. B. Greenhut Co., $181.
North British and Mercantile Ins. Co. of London and Edinburgh—R. Barkowitz, $941.
N. Y. & Jamaica Bay Transportation Co., Inc.—Thomas F. White Co., $1,262.
N. Y. Cloth Sponging Co., Inc.—Fairchild Pub. Co., $418.
N. Y. Telephone Co.—M. Magee, costs, $126.
Necker, William—B. Lavender, $650.
Neisner, Joseph N. and Abraham H.—Eclipse Light Co., $184.
National Bridge Works—A. Cardillo, $670.
National Engineering and Construction Co.—Broadway & Cortlandt Co., $2,421.
Phelps, Lawrence H.—M. Bernard, $202.
Porges, Julia W.—C. B. Wyatt, $2,119.
Rosenfeld, Samuel, Morris Lefstein, William H. Davidow, and Edward Davidow—N. Y. County National Bank, $5,221.
Ryan, John—T. Ryan, $108.
Rosenberg, Harry—Sandiago Realty Co., $125.
Stroppone, Pasquale—Eagle Cornice & Skylight Works, Inc., $126.
Suderov, Abraham—Mutual Alliance Trust Co. of N. Y., $1,309.
Sayre, Edwin H., Wm. L. Juhling, Arthur P. Williams, and Francis J. Dessoir—Commonwealth Steam Carpet Cleaning Co., $224.
Salvatore, Victor D.—F. Ayer, $167.
Siegel, Philip—M. Kinstler, $143.
Schinkel, Chas. G., Christian Schumacher, and Otto Meder, executors—L. F. Hoffstaetter, costs, $117.

Subway Roofing Co., J. Shipman, Proprietor—M. F. Mulorhill, $178.
Schneider, Jacob—Miller Rubber Co., $178.
Thomson, John and Ralph M.—C. S. Thomas et al., cos's, $101.
Wesley, Chas., and Dohn Lithographic Co., Inc.—First National Bank of Jersey City, $264.
Wilhelm, John—Augustine J. Smith Co., $136.
Wolinski, Roman H.—J. Schmidt, $181.
Wolf, Levis, Zenobia Wolf, and Henry Roobe—F. B. Goodliffe $376.
Waddell & Mahon Corp.—F. D. Comwell, $228.
Zellman, Joseph B.—Broad & Market National Bank of Newark, $1,363.

Bronx County.

Amigrone, Gaetano—R. Palmieri, $686.
Buhl, William, and William Buhl, Inc.—H. G. Silleck, Jr., $168.
Bollella, John—J. Oehrlein, $48.
Cowan, William C.—W. R. Heaton et al., $264.
Charles E. Haff Co.—Harlem River Truckman and Riggers, Inc., $484.
Devaney, James—Straus, Pritz Co., $202.
Ernst, John F.—P. R. Jennings et al., $259.
Flora, Luigi—F. H. Bolton et al., $1,448.
O'Hara, Richard—M. Baier, $986.
Taddonio, Joseph—R. Guareni, $107.

SATISFIED JUDGMENTS.

The first name is that of the debtor, the second that of the creditor, and date when judgment was filed.

Bell, Phebe C.—S. Rauch, June 13, 1914, $176.
Carman, Wm. W. — A. Hartman, April 27, 1914, $257.
Edison, Ralph—L. Edison, Dec. 19, 1914, $581.
Goshen Shirt Manufacturing Co.—J. R. Simon & Co., Aug. 4, 1903, $1,135.
Jones, Arthur E. — D. M. Gerard, Nov. 23, 1914, $372.
McOwen, Josephine K. — G. R. Sutherland, May 25, 1911, $779.
Prousse, Gustave—Alfred Field & Co., Sept. 8, 1914, $220.
Reiffert, Edith A.—B. Crystal & Son, Oct. 6, 1914, $15,520.
Verplane, Wm. S.—W. O. Fredenburg et al., Dec. 16, 1914, $184.
Anable, Arthur S. — S. Silberstein, Dec. 3, 1914, (vacated,) $717.
Boylston, Martin—City of New York, June 9, 1908, (vacated,) $207.
Same—Same, March 22, 1911, (vacated,) $211.
Same—Same, Nov. 27, 1908, (vacated,) $198.
Same—Same, May 10, 1910, (vacated,) $193.

In Bronx County.

William Necker, Inc. — G. Dickley, Nov. 6, 1914, (vacated,) $112.

DIVIDENDS.

The Market and Fulton National Bank

New York, Dec. 22, 1914.

A QUARTERLY dividend of Three per cent. upon the capital stock of this Bank has been declared, payable, free of tax, on and after January 1st, 1915. The transfer books will be closed until that date.

JOHN H. CARR, Cashier.

SEABOARD AIR LINE RAILWAY.
Five Per Cent. Adjustment Mortgage Gold Bonds.

The Semi-annual instalments of interest on the Company's Adjustment Bonds amounting to 2½% ($25.00) represented by Coupons Nos. 19 and 20, for $12.50 each, will be paid on and after February 1, 1915, at the office of Messrs. Blair & Co., No. 24 Broad Street, New York.

Seaboard Air Line Railway.
By D. C. PORTEOUS, Secretary.
New York, December 17th, 1914.

The German Exchange Bank

330 Bowery, New York.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of this Bank, held December 15, 1914, a semi-annual dividend of 10% has been declared on the capital stock of this Bank, payable January 2nd, 1915. Transfer books to close December 21, 1914, reopen January 2nd, 1915. GEORGE KERN, Cashier.

American Telephone & Telegraph Co.
Four Per Cent. Collateral Trust Bonds.

Coupons from these Bonds, payable by their terms on January 1, 1915, at the office of the Treasurer in New York, will be paid by the Bankers Trust Company, 16 Wall Street.

G. D. MILNE, Treasurer.

NOTICE OF DIVIDEND.
Old Dominion Steamship Company.

The seventy-eighth semi-annual DIVIDEND of THREE PER CENT. (3%) on the capital stock of the Company has this day been declared out of the earnings, by the Board of Directors, payable December 31st, 1914, to the stockholders of record at 12 M., December 21st, 1914.

The stock transfer books of the Company will be closed from 12 M., December 21st, 1914, to 12 M., December 30th, 1914, inclusive.

W. L. WOODROW, Secretary.

WESTINGHOUSE
Electric & Manufacturing Company.

A quarterly dividend of 1¾% on the PREFERRED stock of this Company will be paid January 15, 1915.

A dividend of one per cent. on the COMMON stock of this Company for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1914, will be paid Jan. 30, 1915.

Both dividends are payable to stockholders of record as of Dec. 31, 1914.

H. D. SHUTE, Treasurer.
New York, Dec. 23, 1914.

LEHIGH VALLEY COAL SALES CO.
New York, December 23rd, 1914.

The Board of Directors of the Lehigh Valley Coal Sales Company have this day declared a dividend of Two and One-Half Per Cent., ($1.25 per share,) payable January 16th, 1915, to those stockholders of the Company who are holders of full share certificates of stock, registered on the Company's books at the close of business, January 4th, 1915. Checks will be mailed.

W. J. BURTON, Treasurer.

NATIONAL BISCUIT COMPANY
66th COMMON DIVIDEND

THE Board of Directors have declared a quarterly dividend of one and three-quarters (1¾) per cent on the Common Capital Stock of the Company, payable Jan. 15, 1915, to stockholders of record at the close of business, Dec. 28, 1914. Transfer books will not be closed.

F. E. BUGBEE, Treasurer.

CITY INVESTING COMPANY
165 Broadway, New York, December 23, 1914.

The Board of Directors have declared a quarterly dividend of one and three-quarters per cent. upon the preferred stock of this company, payable at its office on Jan. 2d, 1915, to holders of preferred stock of record on the books of the company at the close of business on December 26, 1914.

FREDERIC J. HALLIDAY, Treasurer.

Executor **Trustee**

Chartered 1822

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DIVIDENDS.

E. W. BLISS COMPANY.
Borough of Brooklyn, New York.
December 22, 1914.

The Board of Directors of this company has this day declared a regular quarterly dividend of Two Per Cent. (2%) on the Preferred Stock of the Company, payable on January 2d, 1915, to holders of the Preferred Stock of Record on the books of the Company at the close of business December 23d, and has ordered Transfer Books closed December 24th to 31st, inclusive.

HOWARD C. SEAMAN,
Secretary and Treasurer.

E. W. BLISS COMPANY,
Borough of Brooklyn, New York.
December 22, 1914.

The Board of Directors of this company has this day declared a quarterly dividend of One and One-quarter Per Cent. (1¼%) on the Common Stock of the Company, payable on January 2d, 1915, to holders of the Common Stock of Record on the books of the Company at the close of business December 23d, and has ordered Transfer Books closed December 24th to 31st, inclusive.

HOWARD C. SEAMAN,
Secretary and Treasurer.

FOUNDED 1803

223rd Consecutive Semi-Annual Dividend

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

of the City of New York
42 Wall Street,
December 17th, 1914.

The Board of Directors has this day declared a dividend of four per cent. (4%), free of tax, payable January 2d, 1915, to stockholders of record at the close of business December 24th, 1914.

JOSEPH BYRNE, Cashier.

262nd Consecutive Semi-Annual Dividend

ESTABLISHED 1784.

The Bank of New York

National Banking Association

New York, December 15th, 1914.

The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of Eight (8%) per cent., payable on and after Jan. 2d, 1915.

The transfer books will remain closed from Dec. 23d, 1914, to Jan. 4th, 1915.

JOSEPH ANDREWS, Cashier.

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD CO.

A Quarterly Dividend of

$2.00 per share on the Common Stock of this company has this day been declared, payable at the Treasurer's office, 165 Broadway, New York, N. Y., on January 2, 1915, to stockholders of record at 3 o'clock P. M. Tuesday, December 1, 1914. The stock transfer books will not be closed for the payment of this dividend.

Stockholders who have not already done so are urgently requested to file dividend mailing orders with the undersigned, from whom blank forms may be had upon application.

FREDERIC V. S. CROSBY, Treasurer.
New York, N. Y., November 12, 1914.

217TH DIVIDEND

Chartered 1799.
Bank of the Manhattan Company.
New York, December 21, 1914.

The President and Directors of the Manhattan Company have this day declared a dividend of 7% out of the earnings of the past six months, and an extra dividend of 1% for the year ending December 31st, 1914, free from tax, payable January 2nd, 1915, to Stockholders of record at the close of business December 26th, 1914. Transfer books to remain closed until January 2nd, 1915.

D. H. PIERSON, Cashier.

LEHIGH VALLEY RAILROAD COMPANY
Philadelphia, December 16, 1914.

The Board of Directors of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company have this day declared a quarterly dividend of **two and one-half per cent.** (or $1.25 per share) on its preferred stock to stockholders of record **December 26, 1914,** and a quarterly dividend of **two and one-half per cent.** (or $1.25 per share) on its common stock to stockholders of record **December 26, 1914;** both payable January 9, 1915.

Checks will be mailed.

J. M. BAXTER, Treasurer.

The Peoples Bank of the City of New York.
December 17, 1914.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH CONSECUTIVE SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND.

The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of FIVE PER CENT., payable on and after January 2nd, 1915, to stockholders of record December 21st, 1914.

The transfer books to close December 21st, 1914, and reopen January 2nd, 1915.

WILLIAM MILNE, Cashier.

GARFIELD NATIONAL BANK, Fifth Avenue & Twenty-third St.,
New York, Dec. 23, 1914.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors, held this day, a Quarterly Dividend of THREE PER CENT. upon the Capital Stock of this bank was declared, payable, free of tax, on and after Dec. 31, 1914.

The Transfer Books will be closed until Saturday, Jan. 2, 1915.

A. W. SNOW, Cashier.

JULIUS KAYSER & CO.

A regular quarterly dividend of one and one-half per cent (1½%) upon the Common Stock of JULIUS KAYSER & CO. has been declared payable January 1st, 1915, to the holders of record of such stock at the close of business on December 21st, 1914.

Dividend checks will be forwarded by Guaranty Trust Company of New York.

EDWIN S. BAYER, Secretary.

UNITED TRACTION AND ELECTRIC COMPANY.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., December 3, 1914.

A Dividend of ONE AND ONE-QUARTER PER CENT on the Capital Stock of this Company will be paid January 2, 1915, to the registered holders of December 8, 1914. Transfer books will be closed on the 8th inst., and will be reopened December 14, 1914.

C. S. SWEETLAND, Treasurer.

The National Butchers & Drovers Bank.
New York, December 17th, 1914.

The Board of Directors of this Bank have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of Three (3%) per cent., free of tax, payable on and after January 2nd, 1915. The transfer books will be closed from December 17th, 1914, to January 2nd, 1915.

WM. H. CHASE, Cashier.

EAST RIVER NATIONAL BANK.
New York, December 23rd, 1914.

A semi-annual dividend of 2% has this day been declared by the Board of Directors of this bank, payable on and after Saturday, January 2, 1915. Transfer books will remain closed from December 24, 1914, to January 4, 1915, both inclusive.

GEORGE E. HOYER, Cashier.

The New York Central Railroad Co.
New York, December 23d, 1914.

A Dividend of One and One-quarter per cent. (1¼%) on the capital stock of this Company has been declared payable February 1st, 1915, at the office of the Treasurer, to stockholders of record at the close of business January 8th, 1915.

EDWARD L. ROSSITER, Treasurer.

Canada Southern Railway Co.
New York, Dec. 22, 1914.

A semi-annual dividend of ONE AND ONE-HALF PER CENT. on the Capital Stock of this Company has been declared payable at the office of the Treasurer on Monday, Feb. 1st, 1915 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Thursday, Dec. 31st, 1914. MILTON S. BARGER, Treasurer.

Michigan Central Railroad Co.
New York, Dec. 22, 1914.

A semi-annual dividend of ONE PER CENT. on the Capital Stock of this Company has been declared payable at the office of the Treasurer on Friday, Jan. 29th, 1915, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Thursday, Dec. 31st, 1914.

MILTON S. BARGER, Treasurer.

THE BANK OF AMERICA.
New York, December 18th, 1914.

The Board of Directors have today declared a semi-annual dividend of fourteen (14) per cent., free of tax, payable January 2nd, 1915, to stockholders of record of this date. The transfer books will remain closed until January 4th, 1915.

W. M. BENNET, Cashier.

INTERNATIONAL MERCANTILE MARINE CO.
Voting Trust Dissolution.
NOTICE AND CALL.

Holders of stock trust certificates of the Voting Trustees under the Voting Trust Agreement dated October 28, 1902, by and between International Navigation Company, Ltd., and J. Pierpont Morgan and others, as Voting Trustees, which said Agreement was extended so as to expire October 1, 1917, are hereby notified that in the exercise of the discretionary powers vested in them by said Voting Trust Agreement, the Voting Trustees have resolved and determined that the said Voting Trust shall terminate February 23, 1915, and that on and after said date certificates for preferred stock and for common stock of International Mercantile Marine Company, shall and may be delivered upon surrender of and in exchange for corresponding stock trust certificates of the Voting Trustees.

All holders of stock trust certificates issued under said Agreement are hereby called upon to exchange the same for corresponding certificates of capital stock of International Mercantile Marine Company on or after February 23, 1915.

Exchanges will be made at the agency of the Voting Trustees, 51 Newark Street, Hoboken, New Jersey.

No stock trust certificates will be received except upon payment of the amount of the Federal stock transfer stamp tax of two cents per share.

Dated, Hoboken, New Jersey, December 23, 1914.

J. BRUCE ISMAY,
PIRRIE,
P. A. B. WIDENER,
CHARLES STEELE,
Surviving Voting Trustees
December 23, 1914.

To the holders of Stock Trust Certificates for Preferred and Common Stock of International Mercantile Marine Company:

Pursuant to the above notice and call, the Voting Trustees will be prepared, on and after February 23, 1915, to begin delivery of certificates of stock in exchange for stock trust certificates, at the Agency of the Voting Trustees of the International Mercantile Marine Company, No. 51 Newark Street, Hoboken, New Jersey.

One hundred schedules per diem will be received.

For all stock trust certificates surrendered for exchange, together with the amount of the Federal stock transfer stamp tax, there will be delivered vouchers entitling the holder to receive stock certificates as soon as prepared for delivery.

Holders transmitting stock trust certificates by mail will please indicate whether they wish the new securities to be sent by registered mail or by express at their expense.

J. P. MORGAN & CO.,
Agents for Voting Trustees.

NOTICE.

The Holly Manufacturing Company

First Mortgage 5% Gold Bonds, Secured by Deed of Trust, dated January 2, 1902.

The Lawyers Title Insurance and Trust Company, successor to the Central Realty Bond and Trust Company, as Trustee under the above-described mortgage to secure said bonds, HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that there is on deposit with it the sum of Sixty-seven thousand, one hundred seventy-nine and 36-100 Dollars ($67,179.36) to be expended in the purchase and cancellation of bonds issued under the above-mentioned Deed of Trust.

TENDERS are invited for the sale of the above-described bonds to the Trustee. The Trustee reserves the right to reject any or all tenders.

Sealed tenders should be marked: "Offer of Holly Manufacturing Company Bonds"; should be addressed to Lawyers Title Insurance and Trust Company, Trustee, (Banking Department,) 160 Broadway, New York City, and must be received prior to the 28th day of December, 1914, at twelve o'clock noon, at which time the tenders will be opened. All tenders will be construed to be "with accrued interest" unless otherwise stated. Interest upon any bonds accepted by the Trustee will cease on the date on which the tenders are opened.

LAWYERS TITLE INSURANCE AND TRUST COMPANY, Trustee,
By THORWALD STALLKNECHT,
Vice-President.

ELECTRICAL SECURITIES CORPORATION
THIRD, NINTH AND TENTH SERIES COLLATERAL TRUST SINKING FUND FIVE PER CENT. BONDS.

The Guaranty Trust Company of New York, as Successor to The Standard Trust Company of New York, as Trustee under the Indentures securing the above, invites proposals for the sale of as many bonds of the THIRD SERIES as can be purchased for the sum of Seventy-six Thousand Two Hundred and Ten Dollars ($76,210), and as many bonds of the NINTH SERIES as can be purchased for the sum of One Hundred and Eighty Thousand Dollars ($180,000), and as many bonds of the TENTH SERIES as can be purchased for the sum of Sixty-seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($67,500), at not exceeding 103 and accrued interest in each instance.

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Guaranty Trust Company of New York, 140 Broadway, New York City, until 10 o'clock A. M. Tuesday, December 29th, 1914.

All bonds accepted will be paid for on Thursday, December 31st, 1914, on delivery, and interest will not be allowed after that date.

This notice is given pursuant to the provisions of Article Sixth of the Indenture securing the THIRD SERIES, and Article 4 of the Indentures securing the NINTH and TENTH SERIES of said bonds.

GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK,
By WM. C. COX, Vice President.

The Glendive Amusement Corporation

First Refunding Mortgage Ten-Year Gold Bonds.

Notice is hereby given that bonds of the above issue numbered
15, 41, 52, 57, 70, 79, 87, 98, 115, 117, 256, 275, 285, 295, 312, 325, 331, 338, 339, 345, 358, 369, 371, 372, 387, 396, 398, 441, 461, 473, 509, 518, 519, 526, 534, 554, 567, and 569
have been drawn by lot pursuant to Article Six of Indenture dated January 1st, 1914, for redemption at par and accrued interest on January 1st, 1915. Said bonds will be paid on January 2d, 1915, out of funds to be provided for that purpose, at Empire Trust Company, No. 65 Cedar Street, N. Y. City. Interest on said bonds ceases January 1st, 1915.

THE GLENDIVE AMUSEMENT CORPORATION. By MARCUS LOEW, President.
New York, N. Y., December 15th, 1914.

Gulf and Ship Island Railroad Co.
FIRST MORTGAGE REFUNDING AND TERMINAL FIVE PER CENT. GOLD BONDS.

As provided in Section Seven of Article Two of the Mortgage Securing the issue of bonds above described, the undersigned, as Trustee, will receive sealed proposals up to 3 P. M. on January 7, 1915, for the sale to it of such bonds for account of the Sinking Fund, at a price not exceeding 110 per cent. and accrued interest, to the amount of $66,770.67, conditioned upon the payment to the undersigned of that amount on or before January 2nd, 1915, as provided in the said Mortgage.

THE NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY,
Formerly New York Security and Trust Company, Trustee.
By C. E. HAYDOCK, Assistant Secretary.
December 4th, 1914.

PROPOSALS.

PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, Navy Department, Washington, D. C., until 10 o'clock A. M., December 29, 1914, and publicly opened immediately thereafter, to furnish at the navy yard, Brooklyn, N. Y., etc., a quantity of naval supplies, as follows: Sch. 7,637: Evaporated milk, sugar.—Sch. 7,661: Asphaltum, damar, interior and spar varnish.—Sch. 7,663: Navy blue serge.—Sch. 7,667: Fire hose and hydrants, wrenches, hose reels, and carts.—Sch. 7,670: Steel gun hoop.—Sch. 7,672: Cotton covered and unlined linen fire hose.—Sch. 7,673: Steel plates and shapes.—Sch. 7,674: Buttons.—Sch. 7,677: Sheet lead.—Sch. 7,678: Soda ash.—Sch. 7,679: Pump leather, porcelain urinals.—Sch. 7,680: Pipe wrenches.—Sch. 7,684: Bibb and steam plug cocks, composition pipe fittings.—Sch. 7,685: Arc lamp carbons, inclosed fuses, silver lead facings.—Sch. 7,698: Powder tanks.—Sch. 7,705: Forging liners. Applications for proposals should designate the schedules desired by number. Blank proposals will be furnished upon application to the navy pay office, New York, N. Y., or to the Bureau. SAMUEL McGOWAN, Paymaster General, U. S. N. 12-9-14.

Fort H. G. Wright, N. Y., Dec. 21, 1914.—Sealed proposals for constructing concrete storehouse here will be received until 10 A. M., Jan 21, 1915, and then publicly opened. Information on application to Constructing Quartermaster.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States, for the Southern District of New York. CENTRAL TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK, Complainant, against CHICAGO, ROCK ISLAND AND PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY, et al., Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that upon the report of BRONSON WINTHROP, Special Master, filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court on December 22nd, 1914, setting forth the sale, on December 22, 1914, in pursuance of the decree of foreclosure and sale made and entered in this suit on October 10, 1914, of 713,535 shares of stock of the par value of $100 each of The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway Company for the sum of $7,135,300, to James N. Wallace, Bernard M. Baruch, James Brown, Henry Evans, Charles Hayden and Frederick Strauss as a committee under a plan and agreement dated October 1, 1914, as purchasers, and upon all the papers and proceedings herein, I shall move this Court on January 6, 1915, at Court Room Number 1, Woolworth Building, No. 233 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, New York City, at half after ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, for an order confirming said Special Master's report of sale and the sale therein reported, and for such other and further relief as may be proper.

Dated, New York, December 22, 1914.

Yours etc.,
ALBERT RATHBONE,
Solicitor for Complainant.
Office and P. O. Address No. 54 Wall Street
Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

To:
WHITE & CASE, ESQRS.,
Solicitors for Defendant,
Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad Company.
CRAVATH & HENDERSON, ESQRS.,
Solicitors for James N. Wallace, and others as a Committee, etc.
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HOLDERS OF FOUR PER CENT. GOLD BONDS of 2002 of Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad Company,
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ALL OTHERS CONCERNED.

ASSIGNEE NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT, NEW YORK COUNTY.—In the matter of the assignment of LOUIS JOSEPH to LOUIS MERAN, Assignee.

Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Louis Joseph, trading under the name of Victor Shoes, formerly of 228 Bowery, New York, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber at his place of transacting business, No. 80 Second Avenue, New York, on or before the 4th day of January, 1915.

Dated, New York, December 23rd, 1914.
LOUIS MERAN, Assignee.
LEO LERNER, Attorney for Assignee, 80 Second Avenue, New York City.

TOPICAL MAGAZINE.

The New York Times Current History of the War. The only magazine of its kind. Twice a month. No. 1 now ready—price 25c. Contains among other important features complete article by Bernard Shaw, "Common Sense About the War." The New York Times War History, Times Square, New York.—Advt.

M'ANENY APPROVES TUNNEL FOR B. R. T.

Thinks Queensboro Bridge Would Be Overtaxed by Subway Trains.

TRUCKS NEED DRIVEWAY

Board of Estimate Sanctions Change in Plan Which Will Cost City $2,400,000.

A tunnel under the East River at Sixtieth Street is likely to be substituted for the use of the Queensboro Bridge by the new subway system. In the Board of Estimate yesterday President McAneny recommended that the Transit Committee be authorized to take up the substitution with the Public Service Commission, in accordance with the proposal made by the Degnon Contracting Company.

Mr. McAneny computed that the city by expending about $2,400,000 more than it would be forced to spend to place the bridge in condition for subway operation would provide the means for as much subway traffic as was ever likely to develop without in any way curtailing the trucking facilities of the bridge. Two objections have been made to the use of the bridge for both elevated and subway trains. It has been feared that the structure was not strong enough and that the carriage space would be curtailed unduly.

The Degnon Contracting Company is the contractor for the construction of the section of the B. R. T. subway, which reaches the Manhattan end of the bridge. It owns a warehouse tract in Long Island City for the development of which full trucking facilities are imperative. It has offered to construct the subway tunnels for not more than $4,500,000 and has proposed to abandon its contract for one track along Fifty-ninth Street from Fifth to Second Avenue and to build instead both tracks of the new subway in Sixtieth Street. It says the city would save $500,000, and it has asked that this sum should be written off against the cost of the new tunnel.

The board gave President McAneny the permission he desired to take the matter up with the Public Service Commission. He believes that if the city authorities come to some decision which will enable the B. R. T. to run its trains through to Long Island City satisfactorily, it will not care whether it is by the Queensboro Bridge or by a tunnel under the East River.

PARKWAY BOARD DISSENTS.

Bronx Commission Doubts Report of Glynn's Finding.

Gov. Glynn's dismissal of the charges against Madison Grant, William W. Niles and James G. Cannon, the Bronx Parkway Commissioners who were accused of unnecessary delay in the purchase of land, brought forth a statement from the Commissioner's office at 100 Broadway yesterday which showed that the members were not altogether pleased with his findings.

The statement which was prepared by Jay Downer, engineer and Secretary to the commission, points out that the Governor's official report has not yet been received, but adds that "it is impossible to believe that the Governor in disposing of these charges has made it a condition that condemnation proceedings should be initiated by Jan. 1, 1916." It continues:

"In view of his record for economy in the expenditure of public funds, the commission is unwilling to believe that the Governor would attempt to influence the commission to abandon its policy of direct purchase, and revert to the condemnation system with all its evils and hardships, both upon the taxpayers who pay the bills and the property owners whose property in many cases is tied up for years, while fees are multiplied for the benefit of the condemnation crowd. Such a course would lead to an enormous increase in the cost of the parkway, probably running into several millions.

"This obviously mistaken report of the Governor's action is particularly unfortunate as it will only result in creating a false impression upon those who have held out for excessive prices for their lands, and may result in serious financial loss to the city and country."

REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

AT 14 VESEY STREET.

10th St, 27 East, n s, 154 ft e of University Place, 24.10x94.9, seven-story loft and store building; Greenwich Savings Bank against M. M. Maze, administrator, et al.; B. A. Sands, attorney; W. C. Arnold, referee; due, $58,790.08; taxes, &c., $2,653.25; to E. H. Roemer, for $60,100.

131st St, 53 West, n s, 260 ft n of Lenox Av, 25x98.11, five-story tenement; M. A. Gonzales et al., executors, against L. E. Reed et al.; Dean, T. & M., attorneys; J. J. Hynes, referee; due, $21,178.69; taxes, &c., $419.40; to the plaintiff, for $20,000.

13th St, 509 and 511 East, n s, 121 ft e of Avenue A, 37.6x103.3, six-story tenement and stores; New York Trust Co. against Giovanni Parisi et al.; M. S. & I. S. Isaacs, attorneys; Alfred Steckler, Jr., referee; due, $42,008.91; taxes, &c., $1,078.03; to the plaintiff, for $40,000.

2d Av, 2,270, e s, 75.5 ft s of 117th St, 25.6x84.10, four-story tenement and stores; Theresa Niekemper against Louis Lese et al.; H. C. Botty, attorney; S. J. Wagstaff, referee; due, $13,703.87; taxes, &c., $142.40; subject to a transfer tax lien amounting to $1,856.59; to the plaintiff, for $13,000.

By James J. Donovan.

148th St, 540 West, s s, 324.11 ft e of Broadway, 17.1x99.11, three-story dwelling; Emeline Roffe against Jacob Ehrlich et al.; Morris Jacobs, attorney; M. P. Doyle, referee; due, $17,453.65; taxes, &c., $322; subject to a prior mortgage of $10,000; to the plaintiff, for $10,025.

By Bryan L. Kennelly.

142d St, 452 West, s s, 100 ft w of Convent Av, 18x99.11, four-story dwelling; F. B. Tompkins et al., executors, against C. L. Weaver et al.; Foley & P., attorneys; W. F. Unger, referee; due, $14,022.21; taxes, &c., $598.45; to the plaintiff, for $18,000.

AT 3,208 THIRD AVENUE.

By Henry Brady.

Belmont Av, 2,096, e s, 78.7 ft s of 180th St, 32.6x102.6x23.2x106.6, vacant; withdrawn.

By Joseph P. Day.

Edgewater Road, 1,503, w s, 672.7 ft n of Westchester Av, 25x100, two-story dwelling; Bertha Beringer against Annie Nock et al.; Lee & F., attorneys; I. F. Cohen, referee; due, $5,302.03; taxes, &c., $253.89; to the plaintiff, for $4,800.

TODAY'S AUCTION SALES.

AT 14 VESEY STREET.

By Bryan L. Kennelly.

Amsterdam Av, 933-935, s e corner of 106th St, 47.10x100, six-story apartment house and stores; Postal Life Insurance Co. against W. F. Burns Realty Co. et al.; C. C. Lockwood, attorney; G. F. Harriman, referee; due $172,858.48; taxes, &c., $4,385.13.

Bolton Road, w s, 60 ft n of 208th St, 199.11 x533 to Hudson River x203.2x485.2; also parcel of land beginning at a point 112.10 ft n of 208th St, runs w — to Bolton Road x s e, and n e — x n w, two-story dwelling and vacant; Postal Life Insurance Co. against U. C. Burns et al.; C. C. Lockwood, attorney; G. F. Harriman, referee; due $118,480.99; taxes, &c., $2,185.70.

By D. P. Ingraham & Co.

Madison Av, 1,493-95, e s, 50.11 ft n of 102d St, 50x100, six-story flat and stores; Rose Amsterdam et al. against Bella Amsterdam et al.; partition; I. I. Apfel, attorney; Phoenix Ingraham, referee; due, $55,000.

By Henry Brady.

104th St, 312 East, s s, 100.6 ft e of 2d Av, 24.6x100.11; four-story tenement and stores; C. de R. Moore against Vincenza Messuri et al.; F. L. Holt, attorney; J. F. McIntyre, referee; due, $6,661; taxes, &c., $62.74.

AT 3,208 THIRD AVENUE.

By James L. Wells Company.

Perry Av, 3,330, e s, 400 ft s of Gun Hill Road, 25x100, two-story dwelling; Lillie Sanger against Albert Guissart et al.; Niles & J., attorneys; Alex. Karlin, referee; due, $2,295.41; taxes, &c., $461.04; subject to mortgage of $4,750.

THE REAL ESTATE FIELD

Artists Buy $250,000 Plot in West Sixty-seventh Street for Studio Building—St. Nicholas Avenue Deal—Active Bronx Market—Montclair Residence Sold—Rockland County Farm Deals.

A west side deal has just been closed of more than ordinary interest, in that it was a cash transaction for property held at $250,000, while in addition the plans of the buyers involve the erection of one of the finest studio apartment houses in the city. The buyers, a syndicate of well-known artists, but whose identity has not been divulged, have purchased the vacant plot fronting 150 feet on the north side of Sixty-seventh Street, 100 feet west of Central Park West. The 100-foot corner frontage is occupied by the Chatham Court apartment, and to the west of the plot, at what is known as 11 to 15 West Sixty-seventh Street, is the fourteen-story Central Park Studio Building.

The property was bought from the Fullerton Weaver Realty Company, and title passed to the new owners late yesterday. They take title in the name of the Hotel des Artistes. Plans are being prepared, it was learned, for a twenty-story studio building, which will be occupied by several prominent artists. The Sixty-seventh Street block between Central Park and Columbus Avenue is one of the finest studio blocks in the city, as it now contains four studio apartment structures. The projected one, with its frontage of 150 feet, will be the largest as well as the tallest. The plot is 100.5 feet deep, a portion abutting on the plot covered by the Second Church of Christ, Scientist, while some of the private houses on Sixty-eighth Street in the rear are restricted, so that admirable light and air are guaranteed for the new studio.

The Fullerton Weaver Company acquired the plot last May in a trade which involved the sale of the eleven-story Kensington loft building, on the northeast corner of Fifth Avenue and Sixteenth Street.

Builder Buys in Upper West Side.

John Katzman, one of the large apartment house operators on the upper west side, purchased for early improvement yesterday a plot on the east side of St. Nicholas Avenue, 183.9 feet south of 145th Street, fronting 125 by 100 deep. It was bought from Dora Grassmuch and other heirs of the Lauer estate. The plot, which adjoins the Majestic apartments on the 145th Street corner, was held at $65,000. Mr. Katzman is now erecting the largest apartment house in Long Island City, his operation being in the Astoria section. W. J. Huston & Son were the brokers.

Old Butterfield House Assessed for $480,600.

The assessed valuation of the old Butterfield house at 400 Fifth Avenue for 1915 taxation is $480,600, of which $455,000 represents land value. The assessment figures as published on the preceding day, of $365,000, were for the year 1914. The property brought $455,000 at auction, and so instead of bringing a price cut on the city's valuation, the auction price just equalled the assessed valuation for the land only.

A Recent Buyer.

H. B. Davis is the buyer of the triangular block, bounded by Fordham Road, Creston Avenue, and 188th Street, sold last week by Margaret M. Carroll.

Bronx Sales.

William H. Mehlich has sold for the A. J. Schwarzler Company to Annie Fichtel, for investment, 1118 Findlay Avenue, a five-story new-law house, on a plot 38 by 100, between 166th and 167th Streets. The same broker has placed a first mortgage for $20,000 for five years at 5 per cent. on the property.

Peter Otten sold to an investing client of William Peters for cash the four-story tenement occupying a plot 58 by 100 by irregular on the southwest corner of Third Avenue and 188th Street.

Ostrov and Levine have bought from the Manida Company, of which S. L. Morgenthau is President, 860 Mainda Street, a two-story brick two-family house on a lot 25 by 100.

The Herman Knepper Company has sold and re-sold 1757 Bathgate Avenue, a three-story building with store.

A plot of five lots on the northeast corner of Prospect Avenue and 163d Street, part of the old Chisholm estate, has been sold to a builder by Lowenfeld and Prager, operators. The site will be improved with an apartment house. Negotiations are pending for the leasing of the ground floor of the structure to a prominent Manhattan bank.

$30,000 Purchase at Montclair.

F. M. Crawley and Brother have sold for George C. Bradley his property on Mountain Avenue, Montclair, N. J. The house is one of the most attractive on the hillside in Montclair and is situated on a plot of about one-half acre in area.

The purchaser Dr. Peter Kahler, a shoe manufacturer of New York City, paid about $30,000 for the property.

Rockland County Sales.

Horace S. Ely & Co., have sold for Jacob N. Benson to a client his farm at West Nyack, Rockland County, N. Y., extending along the Hackensack on both sides of the West Shore Railroad track, north of the West Nyack depot, and abutting on the Turnpike and extending through the Greenbush Road. The property contains about eighty-nine acres with dwelling and farm buildings.

The same firm has also sold to a client for Francis J. N. Tallman, property near Casper Hill, at West Nyack, Rockland County, N. Y., containing about ten acres. This property has been under one ownership since 1687.

Howard Goldsmith has sold to a client 120 acres belonging to an old estate, property extending from the shore of Rockland Lake to Hook Mountain. It is understood that the purchaser is going to use the property for a country estate. The same broker has also sold for a client three acres running along the shore of Rockland Lake; and for Lillian Bessicks two acres abutting on the Boulevard and adjoining the above holdings to the same purchaser.

There have been other sales reported recently, the most important of which are, the Rockland Park farm, in the Township of Orangetown at Blauvelt, Rockland County, N. Y., which was sold at auction by estate of S. R. Bradley on Nov. 26, 1912, for $60,000, containing approximately 324 acres, has been recently purchased by Robert E. Leber, who, with his other adjoining holdings, now owns about 450 acres. A part of this farm abuts on the property formerly owned by New York State and used for rifle range practice. It is now under control of the Palisades Park Commission.

The old Verdin Homestead, built in revolutionary days, located near New City in the southern part of Rockland County, comprising about 123 acres, was purchased in June by Squadron A, one of the foremost organizations in the New York National Guard. Extensive improvements have been made to the land and buildings and the property will be used as a club house and stock farm for the squadron.

Buyers at Hasbrouck Heights.

The Hasbrouck Park Land Company has sold at Hasbrouck Heights, N. J., plots to C. D. Germanent, William Krit, O. Lindsey, B. Balief, Carl Schaue, S. O'Connor, C. Brodger and S. Schill.

Westchester County.

Charles Field Griffen & Co. have sold for Clarence Sackett and others six acres of land on Kirby Lane, Rye, N. Y., fronting on waters of Long Island Sound, to Waldron Williams, who will improve the property for his own occupancy.

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$125,000 Lease on Thirty-fourth Street.

The Repetti Candy Company has taken a long lease on the building at 30 West Thirty-fourth Street at an aggregate rental of $125,000. This building was formerly occupied by the Holland Tea Room.

This is the first of a chain of stores to be opened under the new management. Osgood Pell and Clark T. Chambers were the brokers in the transaction.

Commercial Leases.

Pease & Elliman have leased for a long term of years to a client for the Singer Sewing Machine Company the store at 83 Liberty Street, in the Singer Building.

Herbert C. Schley, who recently leased the entire Fifth Avenue store in the Victoria Building to the Decorative Plant Company, has leased to the same concern a floor directly opposite in the J. C. Stratton Building at 13 and 15 West Twenty-seventh Street, containing about 5,000 square feet.

Dwellings Leased.

Pease & Elliman have rented, furnished, for A. Wright Post and others, the house at the northwest corner of Lexington Avenue and Sixty-ninth Street to Joseph P. Grace.

Ludwig C. Traube has leased the private dwelling at 1,523 Madison Avenue for E. A. Marice & Co. to Dr. I. Horowitz.

Real Estate Notes.

Negotiations are reported pending for a long lease of the property that was once the home of the Hotel Rossmore, the Saranac, Café de l'Opera, and Marlin's. The building is known as 1,457 to 1,461 Broadway and runs through to Seventh Avenue. It is owned by the Phipps estates, and if the present lessee is consummated the old structure will probably give way to a modern one.

The Public Service Commission has designated the location of stations on the elevated lines from Cypress Hills to Jamaica to be on Jamaica Avenue at Cottage Street, Hoffman Boulevard, Rockaway Road, Washington Street, Crescent Street North, Vive Street, and at the terminal at Grand Street.

The Bristow Building Corporation has secured two building loans from the City Mortgage Company, one of $36,000 for a five-story apartment to be erected on the southwest corner of Beck Street and Avenue St. John, a plot 55 by 100, and the other of $28,000 for a five-story apartment on the west side of Avenue St. John, 55 feet south of Beck Street, 45x100.

THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT.

226th St, s s, 155 ft e of Carpenter Av, for a two-and-a-half-story frame dwelling, 22x34; Martha Cole, 168 State St, Brooklyn, owner; William R. Crump, 3,711 Olinville Av, architect; cost, $4,500.

Alterations.

Items under $5,000 omitted.

Lafayette St, n w corner of Great Jones St, to a six-story store and loft; Estate of William C. Schermerhorn, 25 Liberty St, owner; Maynicke & Frank, 25 Madison Square, architects; cost, $30,000.

Van Cortlandt Av, 430 ft w of Grand Av, to a three-story frame hotel, 55x48; A. J. Hayhurst, on premises, lessee; C. A. Jackson, 101 Park Av, architect; cost, $5,000.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 23.

With name and address of purchaser and attorney. When attorney's name is omitted address party of the second part.

Manhattan.

CLINTON ST, 93 w s, 175 ft s of Rivington St, 25x100, (foreclosure Nov. 27;) Frederick R. Rich, referee, to Sidney Wallach, 105 Corlies Av, Pelham, N. Y.; Breinchen Wallach, 130 West 79th St; Dina W. Block, 88 Central Park West, and Milton M. Dryfoos, 106 East 85th St, Dec. 23; attorney, Frank M. Tichenor, 38 Park Row....$29,850

LEXINGTON AV, 1,804, n w corner of 112th St, 20.5x55; Gramont Construction Co. to Philip K. Sweet, Westwood, N. J., (mtg $11,000,) Dec. 21; attorneys, Campbell & Roland, 51 Chambers St....$1

MADISON AV, e s, 50.11 ft n of 102d St, 50x100; Bella Amsterdam to Jacob Amsterdam, Far Rockaway, L. I., June 2, 1913, (mtg $55,000,) ⅛ part; attorney, I. I. Apfel, 1 West 34th St....$100

SAME PROPERTY; same to Frances A. Harris, 2,105 Broadway, ⅛ part, June 2, 1913, (mtg $55,000;) attorney, same....$100

SAME PROPERTY; Jacob Amsterdam to Frances A. Harris, 2,105 Broadway, ⅛ part, (mtg $55,000,) May 5, 1914; attorney, same....$100

SAME PROPERTY; Frances A. Harris to Max Dann, Marion, Penn, ¼ part, (mtg $55,000,) Dec. 13, 1914; attorney, same..$100

NEW BOWERY, e s, at w s of James St, 3.6x2.5x2.6, gore; James J. Slattery to Church of St. James, quitclaim, Nov. 23; attorney, N. F. Walsh, 37 City Hall Place.$1

ST. NICHOLAS AV, s e corner of 183d St, 104.11x25; Max Strasser to Lydia F., his wife, 1,454 St. Nicholas Av, (mtg $35,000,) April 23....$1

2D AV, s s, 75.2 ft s of 98th St, 24.9x100; J. Philip Berg, referee, to William H. Beam, trustee, Paterson, N. J., Dec. 23; address, 45 Wall St....$10,000

9TH AV, 690, e s, 100.5 ft s of 48th St, 25.1x100; Matilda Luger to Emma J. Doscher et al., at Scarsdale, N. Y., Oct. 22, 1913; attorney, J. J. Luger, 16 8th Av....$100

14TH ST, s s, 100 ft w of 8th Av, 100x98; Charles I. Weinstein Realty Co. to Herbert Kottek, 17 West 70th St, (mtg $175,000,) Dec. 22; attorney, Joseph Kottek, 87 Nassau St....$100

22D ST, 28 East, s s, 310 ft w of 4th Av, 25x98.9; Olga Witthaus to Samuel A. Ross, 202 Townsend St, New Brunswick, N. J., b. and s., Dec. 23; attorneys, Ulman & S., 233 Broadway....$1

39TH ST, 328 East, s s, 350 ft e of 2d Av, 25x98.9; Julia D. Tonnele to Annie J. Morgan, 325 East 39th St, all liens, Dec. 23; attorney, Lawyers Title Insurance Co., 160 Broadway....$100

50TH ST, 415 West, n s, 225 ft w of 9th Av, 25x100.5; Charles Loesch to Katie Loesch, 415 West 50th St, all title, Dec. 2; attorney, H. A. Blumenthal, 233 Broadway....$1

71ST ST, s s, 150 ft w of Avenue A, 25x145.4; Edouard Leissner, Jr., et al to Astor Trust Co., 389 5th Av, executor of Edward Leissner, deceased, all liens, Dec. 22; attorney, Lawyers Title Insurance Co., 160 Broadway....$100

SAME PROPERTY; Astor Trust Co., executor of Edward Leissner, to Paul E. Lindblad, Bronx Manor, Bronxville, N. Y., Dec. 22; attorney, Lawyers Title Insurance Co., 160 Broadway....$17,500

SAME PROPERTY; Paul E. Lindblad to Edward Leissner, Jr., and Millie Lindblad, Bronx Manor, Bronxville, N. Y., Dec. 22; attorney, Lawyers Title Insurance Co., 160 Broadway....$17,500

71ST ST, n s, 338 ft w of West End Av, 15x102.2; Irene Blum to Alice Miller, 343 West 71st St, (mtg $19,400,) Dec. 19; attorney, E. Horwitz, 346 Broadway....$1

71ST ST, n s, 384 ft w of West End Av, 16x102.2; Lucile Watters to Alice Miller, 343 West 71st St, Dec. 14, (mtg $16,400;) attorney, same....$1

92D ST, 55 West, n s, 284.7 ft e of Columbus Av, 20x100.3; George J. Wolf to 92d Street Realty Co., 468 Riverside Drive, b. and s., Nov. 30....$1

99TH ST, s s, 125 ft e of West End Av, 16.8x100.11; Adams C. Sumner to Frances S. Pullen, 388 Carroll St, Brooklyn; Helen S. Silicocks, 137 West 76th St, and Caroline Belcher, 10 Montgomery Place, Brooklyn, all title and b. and s., Dec. 23; attorney, Lawyers Title Insurance Co., 160 Broadway....$100

106TH ST, 127 East, n s, 91.8 ft w of Lexington Av, 16.8x100.11; John M. Shedd, referee, to Emilie A. Deen, 220 West 98th St, Dec. 22; attorney, Lawyers Title Co., 160 Broadway....$8,950

106TH ST, 107 East, n s, 80 ft e of Park Av, 25x100.11; Joseph Sananeo to Lord Robert Realty Co., 115 Broadway, (mtg $15,000,) Dec. 21; attorney, J. F. Benaim, 115 Broadway....$100

100TH ST, 65 East, n s, 100 ft w of Park Av, 20x100.11; Hyman Schmulewitz to Giuseppe Lovaglio, 2,237 1st Av, all liens, Oct. 28, 1913; attorney, Joseph E. Cosgrove, 378 Grand St....$100

SAME PROPERTY; Giuseppe Lovaglio to Lena Katz, 1,117 Westchester Av, all liens, Nov. 30; attorney, same....$1

107TH ST, 230 East, s s, 200 ft w of 2d Av, 25x100.11; Gabriele Composto to Julia Murphy, 1,123 Park Av, quitclaim, Dec. 14.$100

137TH ST, n s, 100 ft w of 7th Av, 19x99.11; Harry Rosenthal to Carrie J. Rosenthal, 203 West 137th St, Dec. 21, (mtg $9,000;) attorney, Lese & C., 35 Nassau St....Gift

Bronx.

AVENUE ST. JOHN, s w corner of Beck St, 100x100; Realty Operating Co. to Brislow Building Corporation, 1887 Vyse Av, (mtg $26,000,) Dec. 22; attorney, F. A. Snow, 15 Wall St....$100

BROOK AV, s e corner of 3d Av, 89.2x70x118x59; Harry T. F. Johnson to Attilio Pasquini, Albany, N. Y., (mtg $21,000,) Dec. 19; attorney, Title Guarantee and Trust Co., 176 Broadway....$1

BRYANT ST, e s, 275 ft n of Lafayette Av, 25x100; also Bryant St, s e s, 300 ft n of Lafayette Av, 25x100; Carrie Ranzenhofer to Rose Lipkowitz, 807 East 6th St, (mtg $960,) Dec. 12; attorneys, Godnick & R., 50 Broad St....$100

CLAY AV, 1,052, e s, 27x80; Albert Helfrich to Elizabeth E. Hutter, 600 East 162d St, Dec. 21; attorney, Elizabeth E. Hutter, 800 East 162d St....$1

LOT 119, map of Laconia Park, 25x100; Antonetta Cicero to Benedetta Cerretta, 414 East 115th St, (mtg $700,) June 4, 1913; attorney, C. Novello, 320 Broadway...$1

TINTON AV, s s, 133.4 ft e of 145th St, 16.8x100; Edward Rinnert et al to Henrietta Rinnert, 456 Wales Av, (mtg $2,000,) Dec. 22; attorney, W S. Fraser, 2,806 3d Av..$1

RECORDED MORTGAGES.

With name and address of lender and lender's attorney. Interest is at 5 per cent. unless otherwise specified.

Manhattan.

CLINTON ST, w s, 175 ft s of Rivington St, 25x100; Sidney Wallach et al., executors and trustees, to Frank M. Tichenor and another, executor and trustee, Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Dec. 23, 5 years; attorney, Frank M. Tichenor, 38 Park Row....$20,000

21ST ST, s s, 175 ft w of 10th Av, 50x92; Frieda Hart to U. S. Fidelity and Guaranty Co., 47 Cedar St, Dec. 21, prior mtg $17,000, due June 21, 1915, 6 p. c....$3,500

24TH ST, s w s, 300 ft s e of 9th Av, 21x55; Annie Willhoite to Anna K. Kuhlke, West New York, N. J., Oct. 16, 2 years, 6 p. c.; attorney, George A. Steinmuller, 1,511 3d Av....$3,000

27TH ST, s s, 91 ft e of 6th Av, 20.6x98.9; Margaret A. Steele to Title Guarantee and Trust Co., 176 Broadway, Dec. 23, due as per bond....$10,000

39TH ST, s s, 350 ft e of 2d Av, 25x98.9; Annie J. Morgan to Julia D. Tonnele, 6 East 68th St, Dec. 23, due as per bond; attorney, Lawyers Title Insurance and Trust Co., 160 Broadway....$9,000

53D ST, n s, 175 ft e of 8th Av, 75x100.5; St. Mark's Methodist Episcopal Church to New York Savings Bank, 81 8th Av, Dec. 22, due, &c., as per bond; attorney, J. A. Dutton, 80 Maiden Lane....$20,000

57TH ST, n s, 175 ft east of 9th Av, 22x100.6; Hy. G. Frisbie to Stamford Trust Co., Stamford, Conn., Dec. 15, prior mtg $22,000, due as per bond; attorney, Manhattan Co., 40 Wall St....$5,000

71ST ST, s s, 150 ft w of Avenue A, 25x145; Edward Leissner, Jr., and another to East River Savings Institution, 295 Broadway, Dec. 22, 3 years; attorney, Lawyers Title Insurance and Trust Co., 160 Broadway....$10,000

92D ST, s s, 100 ft w of 1st Av, 25x100.8; Rae Marcus to Elizabeth G. Buck, Summit, N. J., Dec. 18, prior mtg $15,000, 1 year, 6 p. c.; attorneys, Pirsson & B., 5 Nassau St....$1,000

97TH ST, 116 East, s s, 250 ft e of Park Av, 25x100.11; Mae Lyons to Timothy O'Connell, 333 East 41st St, Dec. 10, 1 year, 6 p. c.; attorney, United States Title Guarantee Co., 51 Chambers St....$1,300

99TH ST, s s, 125 ft e of West End Av, 16.8x100.11; Frances S. Pullen to Lawyers Title Insurance and Trust Co., 160 Broadway, Dec. 23, 3 years....$4,000

106TH ST, 127 East, n s, 91.8 ft w of Lexington Av, 16.8x100.11; Emilie A. Deen to William G. Verplanck, 321 West 90th St, Dec. 22, due, &c., as per bond; attorney, Lawyers Title Co., 160 Broadway....$6,000

122D ST, s s, 75 ft w of Avenue A, 12.6x50.5; Michael Scanlon and another to Nicholas Wapler, Woodhaven, L. I., Dec. 19, 3 years, 6 p. c.; attorney, W. E. Sammis, 1 Liberty St....$700

124TH ST, s s, 215 ft w of Park Av, 18x100.11; Hermine Schrag to the Wartburg Orphan Farm School, Mount Vernon, N. Y., due as per bond, Dec. 22; attorney, Salter & S., 240 Nassau St....$6,000

142D ST, s s, 438 ft e of Broadway, 15x99.11; Eva A. Marbach to Mildred E. Sterry, Greenport, L. I., Dec. 1, prior mtg $11,000, 5 years, 6 p. c.; attorney, George W. Simpson, 51 Chambers St....$4,000

Bronx.

AV ST JOHN, n w corner of Brook Av, 55x100; Brislow Building Corporation to City Mortgage Co., 15 Wall St, Dec. 22, demand, 6 p. c.; attorney, F. A. Snow, 15 Wall St....$55,000

AV ST JOHN, w s, 55 ft s of Beck St, 45x100; same to same, Dec. 27, demand, 6 p. c.; attorney, same....$40,000

AV ST. JOHN, s w corner of Beck St, 100x100; same to Realty Operating Co., 15 Wall St, prior mtg $95,000, Dec. 22; attorney, same....$26,000

CRESTON AV, w s, 248.9 ft n of 184th St, 224.6x irregular; Mary E. Bixby to Sarah A. Hodson, 2,505 Davidson Av, prior mtg $5,074.40, Dec. 16, 3 years; attorneys, Holt, W. & G., 42 Broadway....$3,438

GRAND BOULEVARD and Concourse n w corner of Exchange Pl, 78.7x irreg.; Albert Vonden Driesch to John A. Rutherfurd, Trustee, Cooperstown, N. Y., Dec. 22, due as per bond; attorney, Title Guarantee and Trust Co., 176 Broadway....$15,250

HOFFMAN ST, w s, at centre line of Lot 108, map of land of heirs of William Powell, 100x100; Frank Morrone to Allesandro Cilento, 2,026 1st Av, Dec. 9, due Jan. 1, 1920; attorney, Louis Scheuer, 87 Nassau..$1,505

LOT 119, map Laconia Park, 25x100; Benedetta Cerretta to Maria Cerrello, 2,011 1st Av, Dec. 21, 3 years, 6 p. c.; attorney, Charles Novello, 370 Broadway....$2,000

ROBBINS AV, 464, e s, 250 ft s of 147th St, 25x100; Domenicko Pezza and another to Smith Williamson, White Plains, N. Y., Dec. 17, due Jan. 1, 1918, 6 p. c.; attorneys, Williamson & B., 364 Alexander Av....$2,500

WEST FARMS ROAD, w s, Lots 1 and 2, map lands Lewis Cornell Ferris, 50.5x102.8; Michael J. Cavanagh to John H. Kerkmann, 2,552 8th Av, Dec. 22, due as per bond; attorney, Lawyers Title Insurance and Trust Co., 160 Broadway....$6,000

WEST, ½ of Lot 41, Map Arden property; Edward F. Cleary to George McGovern, 148 East 63d St, Dec. 17, due as per bond, 6 p. c.; attorney, D. W. Neuberger, 74 Broadway....$2,500

RECORDED LEASES.

Manhattan.

With name and address of lessee.

AVENUE A, 112, corner store and basement; Benedict Bockar to John Goodman, 511 East 6th St, 5½ years, from Nov. 1, 1914; attorney, W. H. Stewart, 1,639 3d Av....$1,620

GRAND ST, 203, corner store and basement; Ebling Brewing Co. to Arthur B. Gradone, 203 Grand St, 4 7-12 years, from Jan. 1, 1915....$1,620

JAMES ST, 44 and 46, corner store and part of cellar; Emanuel Perillo to Giuseppe E. Viola, 26 Oliver St, 3 4-12 years, from Dec. 1, 1914; attorney, Louis Campora, 93 Nassau St....$900

MULBERRY ST, 32, store and basement; Louis Peirano to Louis Peirano, Inc., 32 Mulberry St, 5 years, from Jan. 1, 1915; attorney, Louis Campora, 93 Nassau St..$1,680

WADSWORTH AV, 115 and 117, all; Samuel Harris to Jacob Wiegan, 206 West 148th St, 3 years, from Jan. 1, 1915; attorney, Philip Bernstein, 320 Broadway....$7,200

11TH AV, 484, store and basement; Susanna Orth to John Orth, 696 Elton Av, 4 11-12 years, from Dec. 12, 1914; attorney, W. H. Stewart, 1,639 3d Av....$1,080

83D ST, 137 West, all; Walter W. Oakley et al. to John Coonan, 428 East 77th St, 5 years, from Oct. 1, 1914; attorney, E. M. Burghard, 111 Broadway....$2,500

Bronx.

MORRIS AV, 583, n w corner of 150th St, store and cellar; Caritina Spallone to Daniel A. Capece, 851 Pierce Av, Long Island City, 3½ years from Dec. 1, 1914; attorneys, Bernheimer & S., 128th St. and Amsterdam Av. $1,500 and $1,800

MECHANICS' LIENS.

Manhattan.

STANTON ST, 75 and 77; James W. Gellion against Ignatz Jacobson, owner; Nathaniel Rosenberg, receiver, contractor....$113

WADSWORTH AV, 124; George Goldberg & Sons, Inc., against William Hobson, owner; Aldorf Construction Co., owner and contractor....$74

24TH ST, 58 to 62 West, and 6th Av, 392; Paul Scherbner Iron Works against Charles Schmidt, owner; Murray Hill Construction Co., Inc., contractor....$162

Bronx.

CAMBRELING AV, 2,491; Arthur H. Oesterheld against Gennaro Tranzillo and Bartholomeo Tranzillo, owners; Frank Tranzillo, Bartholomeo Tranzillo, and Gennaro Tranzillo, contractors....$50

SENECA AV, n e corner of Hunt's Point Av; Cooper Electric and Engineering Co. against Graham Construction Co., owners and contractors....$505

TRINITY AV, 708, 710, 712, 714, and 716; Frank A. Clark against Patrick McKenna and estate of Patrick A. Geoghegan, owners and contractors, renewal....$1,672

231ST ST, s s, 100 ft w of Independence Av, 116.9x48.8; Charles A. Buckely against Along the Hudson Co., owners and contractors....$433

SATISFIED MECHANICS' LIENS.

NELSON AV, 1,665; Richard E. Thibaut, Inc., against Florence I. Squires et al., Nov. 1, 1913....$167

WADSWORTH AV, w s, 50 ft n of 179th St; John Wanderman against William Hobson et al., Dec. 21, 1914....$800

19TH ST, s w corner of Avenue B; Otis Elevator Co. against Levy Dairy Co. et al., Dec. 17, 1914....$2,000

29TH ST, 219 East; David Bleier against Julia Singer et al., Dec. 1, 1914....$438

LIS PENDENS.

Manhattan.

POST AV, n s, 200 ft e of Emerson St, 20x160x irregular; Lawyers Realty Co. against Gustav Sinn et al., (foreclosure of tax lien;) attorneys, Dean, Tracy & McBarron.

POST AV, n w corner of Academy St, 100x100; William H. Rolston against Occidental Realty Co., (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorneys, Geller, Rolston & Horan.

2D AV, 926; Rachel Gross against Katharina Feser et al., (action to declare mortgage;) attorney, A. A. Walter.

7TH AV, s e corner of 131st St, 45.11x100; East River Savings Institution against Charles B. Barkley et al., (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorney, O. F. Hibbard.

8TH ST, 315 East; Metropolitan Savings Bank against Albert Indorsky et al., (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorneys, A. S. & W. Hutchins.

13TH ST, n s, 158.6 ft e of Avenue A, 37.6x103.3; Baron de Hirsch Fund against Cira Alongi et al., (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorneys, M. S. & I. S. Isaacs.

27TH ST, s s, 75.5 ft w of 10th Av, 74.7x98.9; Matthew J. Kearney against John H. Kearney et al., (partition;) attorney, R. Kelly.

57TH ST, 301 West; 8th Av, 973, and 8th Av, 975 to 979; Isaac Middleman against City Real Estate Improvement Corporation et al., (action to foreclose mechanic's lien;) attorney, H. W. Fried.

78TH ST, 63 East; Robert S. Clark against Isabella L. Ryttenberg et al., (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorneys, Ver Planck, Prince & Flanders.

82D ST, s s, 273 ft e of Avenue A, 18.9x102.2; Ernst Zipse et al. against Joseph Scher et al., (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorney, G. H. Hyde.

115TH ST, n s, 98 ft w of 5th Av, 27x100.11; 131st St, 74 West, and 149th St, s s, 309.4 ft w of St. Ann's Av, 40x100; Albert Neil against Jessie Neil et al., (action to set aside deeds;) attorney, R. L. Phillips.

115TH ST, 431 to 435 East; William Jay against Mariangiola Mennella et al., (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorney, R. W. Candler.

122D ST, 440 East, and Blake Av, 937; Austin, Nichols & Co., Inc., against Abraham Koch et al., (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorney, W. N. Lewis.

167TH ST, s s, 175 ft w of Amsterdam Av, 50x85; Samuel Bloch against Charles Meisel et al., (amended foreclosure of mortgage;) attorneys, Weschler & Kohn.

Bronx.

LOTS 158, 159, 160, and 161, amended map of Adee Park, 24th Ward; Patrick O'Donnell against Adee Holding Co., Inc., et al., (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorney, H. S. Mack.

LOT 32, (part of,) map of grounds in partition belonging to heirs of Rebekah Bassford, 24th Ward; Margaret J. Becker against Ernest Wenigmann et al., (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorneys, Geller, Rolston & Horan.

LOT 26, Block 2,970, Section 11; Samuel Hollander against Annie Lamberti, (action to foreclose transfer of tax lien;) attorney, B. G. Oppenheim.

LOT 27, Block 2,970, Section 11; Samuel Hollander against Annie Lamberti, (action to foreclose transfer of tax lien;) attorney, B. G. Oppenheim.

LOT 28, Block 2,970, Section 11; Samuel Hollander against Annie Lamberti, (action to foreclose transfer of tax lien;) attorney, B. G. Oppenheim.

MONTEREY AV, 2,031; Gussie Morgenstern against Konrad Kromer et al., (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorney, S. N. Tuckman.

167TH ST, n e corner of Webster Av, 100x427.1; 167th St, n w corner of Brook Av, 62.7x293.3; 167th St, n w corner of Webster Av, 100x548.7; Findlay Av, w s, 200 ft s of 168th St, 200x201.7; 165th St, n w corner of Findlay Av, 120.1x430.9; block bounded by Morris Av on the w, 166th St on the s, South College Av on the e; 167th St, n w corner of Morris Av, 200x450; 167th St, n e corner of Sherman Av, 100x200; 167th St, n w corner of Sheridan Av, 75x204.6; block bounded on n by McClellan St, on w by Carroll Place, on s by E. 166th St; McClellan St, s w corner of Carroll Place, 126.6x189.2, 168th St, s w corner of Grand Boulevard and Concourse, 36.6x102.4; Grand View Place, w s, 100 ft s of 168th St, 100x125; Newbold Morris against Eva V. C. Hawkes et al., (partition suit;) attorney, T. McIlvaine.

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COURT CALENDARS

CASES WILL BE CALLED IN THE ORDER GIVEN BELOW.
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FEDERAL.

Southern District.

DISTRICT COURT—Augustus N. Hand, J.—Post Office Building, at 10:30 A. M.—Jury calendar.

Oddo<Postal Trans.
Fountain El Fl Box<Yale & T.
Peterson<Rel Paint.
Hearn<NY, NH RR.
U S<Trachy.
Curtis<Eates.
Howland<Roscom Rty
Pettijohn<Emery.
Fischerauer<Erie R R
Same<Penn R R.

Cases to be sent to Room 407 as required.

DISTRICT COURT—Lacombe, J.—P. O. Bldg. At 10 A. M. Motion calendar:

Cent Trust<Wabash R R.
Fischer<Lamson.
L B, &c, Co<B'klyn E D T.
Steers<Schoonmaker.
Marconi<De Forest.
Victor<Straus.
Farrell<Bowman & B.
Dick<Fuller.
US<12 C H Tea.
US<24 pkgs H Tea.
N Y & C Mail SS Co<Scholl.
Arrowsmith<same.
Halifax<Tug Buccaneer.
Ward<Goelet.
Brown<C, C, C & St L Ry. (2.)
Brown, Jr<same, (2.)
Barnes<Trees.
Smith<Doheny.
Everit<Nixon.
Bryant<Abele.
Luckenbach<Pierson.
Bauer<Phila L I.
Same<Hon L I.
Ramm<Schwartz.
Johnston<Autocar Sales.
Church<Swetland.
Same<same, (Swetl'd Opera.)
Same<same, (Bruckman.)
Same<same, (Moore.)
In re Engel.

DISTRICT COURT—Mayer, J.—Woolworth Building, at 10:30 A. M.—Equity calendar. Adjourned until Dec. 29.

Eastern District.

DISTRICT COURT—Chatfield, J.—Common Law. At 10:30 A. M.

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Lukaszunas<L V Coal

Note.—No other cases will be called today.

DISTRICT COURT—Veeder, J.—Bankruptcy calendar at 10:30 A. M.

De Venus Silk Glove Mfg Co, (2.)
Schichtman.

Bankruptcy calendar at 2 P. M.

Discharges:
Re Schweizer.
Brande et al.
Dayton.
Fitzgerald.
Keller.
Schneider.
Composition:
Re Charles Kaffes, Jr, & Co.
Motions:
Re Albert Edwards.
Schwenck.
Abrams Bros.
Waters-Colner Co.
Cohen.
Kobre & Ginsberg, (3.)
Biehle.
Green.
Clark.
Lemel.
Koehl.
Kass. (3.)

NEW YORK COUNTY.

Supreme Court.

APPELLATE DIVISION—Recess.

APPELLATE TERM—Recess.

SPECIAL TERM—Part I.—Goff, J.—Litigated motions.

Trowbridg<Fox.
Re Rawak.
Werner<Binimowitz.
Flynn<CNY.
Judin<Levin.
Straus<Springsteen.
Hecht<Allen & Lane.
Borsa<Von Hof.
Re Caley, (HillsideAv)
Re same, (Ellwood St.)
Strauss<McDonald.
Blesser<O'Connor.
Dodge<same.
Fagan<Mooney Con.
Hertz<Hertz.
Smallwood<Std Accdt.
Dressler<Keystone F.
Titus<C Pk, N, &c.
Pilgrim<Ensign Rty.
People ex rel Chinchin<I Ord Brith Abr.
Cottrell<Robinson.
People ex rel Andonian<N Y Pho Eng Un.
Shapiro<Shapiro.
Pines<Van Tuyl.
Heiden<CNY, (2 acts.)
Martin<N Trin L Asp.
Bross<Int R T.
Greenspan<same.
Norton<same.
Hart<same.
Cappliotta<same.
Connelly<same.
Kane<Prendergast.
Reichstadt<Halstead.
Musano<Fusco.
Miller<Weir.
Condit<Burt Rty.
Cummins<NY Pneu S.
Re Whewell, (E 213 St)
Re same.
Re same.
Re Prospect Av.
Burke<Penn Mut Life.
Re Honigstock.
Zahler<Zahler.
New Am td 5, 10 & 19c Store<McKegney.
Gross<Bergrin.
People ex rel Kiernan<[illegible]ittle.
Valentine<Martin.
Ostro<Hudson Garage.
Tracy<Cont Supply.
Dillon<Hicks.
Cruikshank<French.
CNY<Bloom.
Pelgram<Ungar.
Morrison<Lloyd & P.
Nichols<NY Edison.
Doran<Raymond & W.
Condit<Moss.
Mandel<Simon.
Ziegler, Jr<Midvale Rty.
Bolles<NY Rys, (2 acts.)
Lafitte<same.
Goldenberg<same.
Killoran<same.
Purtanko<same.
Hartman<same.
Martin<same.
Broadhurst<Broadhurst, (2 acts.)
Gewirtz<Gewirtz.
Goldman<Goldman.
Berry<Liebmann.
CNY<Immerman.
Katz<Katz.
Broadhurst<Broadhurst.
Shawnee F Ins<Newman
Loutrel<Van Benschoten.
Federal Est<Kornhauser.
Windham Realiz<City [illegible] Est.
Bishop<Bishop.
Barclay<Conn.
Duncan<Fallon.
Sluyter<Geller.
Dressler<Keystone F.
Blankfort Mintz<Dickey & Sons.
Re Walker, &c.
Sandzik<Sandzik.
Blimline<Fleischer.
Bi State Rty<Deutsch.
Cohen<Asper Co.
Powers<Bruch.
Simpson<Met Trust.
Milliken<Frisbie Con.
Schoenberg Co<Hall.
Aetna Amus<Kaufman
Richards<Richards
Schwartz<Minsker Rty
Howe<Plymouth Rub.
Strysower<Reiss.
Ebling Brew<Fusco.
Marry<Bolger.
Halstead<Rosenstein
Jordan<Jordan.
Gertenbach<Gertenbach.
Casper<Kutner.
Re Wasson.
CNY<McCarthy.
Lang<Woods.
Lesser<N Saw Filers' Assn.
Karibe<Earle.
Re Barkin Con.

PART II.—Giegerich, J.—Ex parte business, at 10:30 A. M

PART III.—Whitaker, J.—At 10:15 A. M. Motions.

Jacobstein<Jacobstein.
Spring<Hexter.
Plesin<Mitchell, (2.)
Von Meyer<Richter.
Preferred causes:
Forbes<Edelson.
Farley<Hollingsworth.
General calendar:
Foran<Foran.
Revisionary Est<Cook.
Mason-Seamon Tr Co<Hefferman.
Makepeace<Cukor.
Saenger Co<Breitbart.
Stewart<Badt.
Silverberg Imp<Cohen.
Kawut<Gottfried.
Bowne<Colt.
Bronner<Bronner.
Turevsky<Lipkin.
Silverberg Imp<Marlowe Mfg.
Lewis<Donald SS.
Marx<Maresch.
Porter<Porter.
Schaefer<Schaefer.
Langfelder<Langfelder
Lippe<Lippe.
Solowey<Schapiro.
Ryan<Ryan.
Case on.

PART IV.—Gavegan, J.—Case on.

PART V.—Guy, J.—Adjourned to Dec. 28.

PART VI.—Erlanger, J.—Case on.

PART VII.—No day calendar.

PART VII.—Pendleton, J.—Nov. Term continued at 10:30 A. M.—Held in Trial Term, Part V. room. Case on. Cohen<Goldie.

PART VIII.—Blanchard, J.—Clear.

TRIAL TERM—Part II.—Greenbaum, J.—At 10:30 A M.

Frank<Blum.
Butler<Isman.
Converse<Marsden.
Szakvary<Heddorff P.
Simpson<Met Trust.
State Bank<Kashin-B.
Hoes<Stader.
Fair<Brick.
Rogowski<Workingmen Co-op Pub.
Brundage<Warden.
Peters<Bednarczak.
Clear.

PART II.—Page, J.—At 10:30 A. M.—October term continued. Case on—Title Guar & Trust<Pam. Adjourned to Dec. 28.

PART III.—Donnelly, J.—At 10:30 A. M. Case on—Morrison<CNY. No day calendar.

PART IV.—Platzek, J.—At 10:30 A. M.

Ferbel<Wunsche.
Regan<Sergeant.
Dittrich<CNY.
Napolitano<Nas E RR (2 acts.)
Jackson<Waterbury.
Clear.

PART V.—Pendleton, J.—At 10:30 A. M. No day calendar.

PART VI.—Continued November term.—Erlanger, J.—At 10:30 A M Recess.

PARTS VI. and VII.—Adjourned for the term.

PART VIII.—Ford, J.—At 10:30 A. M. Inq—Cook<Lewis. Case on.

PART IX.—Philbin, J.—At 10:30 A. M. Case on—Gilman<IRT No day calendar.

PART X.—Delany, J.—At 10:30 A. M. Case on—Sanborn<Met Art Assn. No day calendar.

PART XI.—Kellogg, J.—Adjourned for the term.

PART XII.—Lehman, J.—At 10:30 A. M.

Dardis<McNally.
Burns<Ehret.
Burns<Ehret.
Albanese<Pitts Cont.
Bass<Liebman Sons Brew.
Moshkowitz<Aztec Asphalt.
Marks<Nas Elec RR.
Donohue<E River Mill
Brandes<Bradley Con.
Burke<McCabe Hanger.
Case on.

PART XIII.—Benton, J.—At 10:30 A. M.

Trievan<New Eng SS.
Fisher<Royal Ind.
Sanborn<Met Art Assn
O'Shea<NY Rys.
Platt<Pitts Cont.
Muller<NY Edison.
Case on.

PART XIV.—Cohalan, J.—At 10:30 A. M.

Baker<Couch.
Ettingan<Lederre.
P W Brooks & Co<Conger.
Krowitz<Loeser.
Case on.

PART XV.—Weeks, J.—At 10:30 A. M.

Farley<Lohden.
Sullivan<Jennings.
Hasbrouck<Gallagher.
Ehrich<Lockhart.
Schloss<Ger-Am Bank
Miller<Miller, (2 acts.)
Heyn<N Y Times.
Ettor Rty Co<Cohen.
Case on.

PART XVI.—Adjourned for the term.

PART XVII.—Dugro, J.—At 10:30 A. M.

Murphy<Bishop.
Inq.—Am Heating, &c<Van Wagner.
Case on.

PART XVIII.—Giegerich, J.—At 10:30 A. M. Recess.

Surrogates' Court.

CHAMBERS—Fowler, S.—At 10:30 A. M.

Estate P. Sheehy.
Wills for probate:
Kate Robinson.
Albert M. Tate,
Andrew Logan,
Lafayette J. Finch,
Susan M. McKim,
Esther Wyman,
Mary Carter.

TRIAL TERM—Cohalan, S.—At 10:30 A. M. No day calendar.

City Court.

SPECIAL TERM.—Part I.—Ransom, J.—At 10 A. M.—Motions.

Rehm<Manda.
Clauwaert<Shapiro.
L. Marx & Son<Aldrich.
Kranzbaum<King.
Camden Pottery<McElraevy.
Belleux<Ryttenberg.
McNutt<Andrews Floor, &c.
Hills & Hefely Co<Heald.
Akerman<Lebowitz.
Bernberg<Siegel.
Packer<Marcus.
Schneider<Flaster.
Losee<Lackawanna C.
Sickles<Coleman.
Godney<Planten.
Smith<Beck.
Korn<Naughton Mulgrew M C.
Tumin<Yellow Taxi.
Wirt<Naughton, &c., Co.
Empire City Iron Wks<Egan.
Rieser<Bleyer, (2.)
Elias<Coleman & Krause.
Wishingrad<Chauser.
Arnold<Grouse.
Perlman<Mencher.
Collins<Fischer.
Heine<Weller.
Uris<Libman Cont.
Abrahams<Stein.
Bauer & Black<Tomashoff.
Serman<Secured Hold.
Fero<Aelter.
Pollack<Simon.
Pereini<Bradley Cont.
Sobel<Wyler
Claflin Co<Cohn.
Cohen<Schoenhorr.
Freedberg<Marmer
Loeb<Richter.
Rosenblum<Rose.
Levy<Lacher.
Lipschitz<Levy.
Smith<Haiss Mfg Co.
Neustadt<Travis.
Enstein<Fine.
Meyrowitz<Hoyt.
Franklin Press<Forsyth.

PART II.—McAvoy, J.—At 10 A. M.—Ex parte business.

TRIAL TERM—Part I.—Schmuck, J.—At 9:45 A. M.

Weil<Princess S W Mfg.
Solomon<Exch Buffet.
Wenetsky<Princess S W Mfg.
Fid Phoenix Ins<McMullen Co.
Kassner<NY Rys.
Case on.

PART II.—Lynch, J.—At 10 A. M.

Karpel<Schoenholz.
Quirk<Calhoun.
Keyrouze<Jaffe.
R I W Damp R C Co<Hedden & Sons Co.
Lewis<Cohen.
Hollywood Co<Novich
Simon<Howarth.
Case on.

PART III. -Delehanty, J.—At 10 A. M. Commercial calendar.

Define R'coat<City Rubber.
Levy<Cohen.
Zakow<Schultz.
Dilsizian<European, &c.
Heine<George.
Schweitzer<Schoen.
Carroll<Blum.
Clay<Whitson.
Clear.

PART IV., Finelite, J., case on; V., O'Dwyer, C. J., case on; VI., La Fetra, J., clear; VII., Smith, J., clear; VIII., Greene, J., clear.

Referees Appointed.

SUPREME COURT—Giegerich, J.—Gold<Gold — Maurice Deiches. Viele<Hessels — Phoenix Ingraham.

SUPREME COURT—Goff, J.—Meyer<East 23d St. Realty Co.—Frances W. Pollock.

SUPREME COURT—Whitaker, J.—Sullivan<Block—James O. Farrell.

Receivers Appointed.

SUPREME COURT—Giegerich, J.—Baron de Hirsch Fund<Concetta d'Anersa—Thomas F. Garity. Mary V. Duffy<George Dambscher—Charles J. Briody. William Jay<Maringiola Meunella—Henry Brady.

BRONX COUNTY.

Supreme Court.

SPECIAL TERM.—Brady, J. At 10 A. M. Motion calendar.

Re McMullin.
Martin<D'Auria.
Welsh<Mohawk A C.
Feldman<Mattiee.
Cahn<Solomon.
11 W 25 St<Eschen.

SPECIAL TERM FOR TRIALS.—Brady, J. No day calendar

TRIAL TERM—Brady, J.—No day calendar.

Surrogate's Court.

CHAMBERS—Schulz, S.—No day calendar.

TRIAL TERM—Schulz, S.—No day calendar.

County Court.

CHAMBERS—Gibbs, J.—Ex parte business.

SPECIAL TERM—Gibbs, J. No day calendar.

TRIAL TERM.—Gibbs, J. Goldfarb<Union Ry.

Referee Appointed.

SUPREME COURT—Brady, J. Beekman Const Co<Aurora Invest Co—John J Hynes.

Receivers Appointed.

SUPREME COURT—Brady, J. Gussie Morgenstern<Konrad Kromer—Morris Morgenstern. Emma C Linson<Louis Schwitzer—Nathan W Herbst. Gaetano Colon<Maria Alliegro—Adolph Sonnethal.

KINGS COUNTY.

Supreme Court.

APPELLATE DIVISION—Recess.

SPECIAL TERM—Part I.—Clark, J.—Motions at 10 A. M.

Harburger<St John's Afr M E Ch.
Re Targee St, (Martin)
Reynolds<Williams.
Nicholas<Nichols.
Blessing<Blessing.
Epwer<Montague MM.
People<Opetta.
Nevins<Edison.
Union Trust<Biele.
Re Wells, (De Reece.)
Gage<Gage.
Rubin<Rubin.
Recca<Italian S Bk.
Siskind<Sandler.
Feinbloom<Nas RR.
Masselli<Masselli.
Baldwin<Am F & S.
Butkus<Brazys.
Boddoresky<Feinberg.
Moran<I R T.
Saurlet<same.
Re Apollo St.
Ingrasano<Brasch.
Beeckel<Story.
People C, A & T S<Light & ano.
Meserole Masons Mat Co<Tinton Impt.
Re Black.
Crary<Multy et al.
Hebrew Aid Socy<Lichter.
Butler<Carr.
Leinhardt<Schneider.
Same<same.
McAloon<McAloon.
Hinze<Hinze.
Levey<Levey.
Same<same.
Bossert<Duhy.
Glass<Potashnikof.
Quilty<Gibbons et al.
Robt Griffin Co<Saunders.
Re 36 St.
Re Jones.

PART II.—Aspinall, J.—Ex parte business at 10 A. M.

PART III.—Trials.—No day calendar.

TRIAL TERM—No day calendar.

County Court.

CIVIL—No day calendar.

Surrogate's Court.

CHAMBERS—Ketcham, S.—At 10 A. M.

Wills of:
James H Hill.
Emily A Rowe.
Henry Glattes.
Carl Laner.
Elizabeth K Mason.
John H Smith.
Acctg. in estates of:
Bernard Bring.
J B Snook.
John Northrup.
Albert Schierenbeck.
H L Coates.
Herman Plate.
Florence Cosgrove.
Catherine Flynn.
Margaret Donoghue.
James Judge.
Sarah Moore.
Jemima Shallow.
John J Kayes.
John Gray.
Cecelia A Purdy.
Theresa Permento.
Estates of:
John J Pankstis.
G. H. Loeffler.
Hannah Plastrick.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

Supreme Court.

DAY CALENDAR—Part I., Keogh, J.; Part II., Mills, J.—At 9:45 A. M.

Bonton<Hughes.
Nicoletto<Whitridge.
Sledzenski<Dunwoodie Country Club.
Linehan<Silver.
Weseman<Muench.
Sampieri<Bluener.
Gardella<Pitts Con.
Ranft<Riesele.
Carpenter<Gillespie
Murray<Wupperman
Badgley<New R Hosp.
Harrison<Chester Hill Auto S.

These causes may either be marked ready or marked over to another day:

Wall<Yonkers RR.
Hoffman<same.
Grogan<Maxwell Bris.
Ramsberg<West E RR
Johnson<West St Ry.
Huggins<NY & S RR.
Tiddale<Dravo Con.
Harris<Mason & H.
Luongo<Kerck & Co.
Cole<Fallon.
Simpson<Fleming.
Wilder<Lawson.
Schaefer<Union Ry of NY, (2 acts.)
Maher<Gants.
Reo<Nat Conduit.
McNichol<Sliney.
Ashton<Charter Con, (2 acts.)
Britton<Mason & H.
Van Hook<same.
Fredericksen<New Rochelle Coal.
Hearn<West El RR, (2 acts.)
Kennion<West U Tel.
Thomson<Ebling Bw.
Becker<Chester Hill Auto S, (2 acts.)
Direnzio<Bunn.
Samo<Cushman.
Hyde<Garvey.
Abrams<D & L Bldg.
Marietta<Pennell.
Batten<Clauss.
Batten<Clauss.

Highest number reached, 495.

Surrogate's Court.

DAY CALENDAR—At Peekskill.

Probate of wills:
Hattie C Chase.
Almira Austin.
Executor's acctg:
Casper Hauck.

ESTATES APPRAISED.

THEODORE H. ALLERS, (July 10, 1913;) net estate, $4,462; interest in plot on White Plains Av., near 204th St., $1,938; deposits, $2,960; personalty, $535.

MATHIAS FAUST, (June 23, 1913;) net estate, $91,931; equity in 94 Chrystie St., $17,763; 22 Rivington St., $17,659; 117 Mott St., $12,207; 27 St. Mark's Place, $14,804; deposits, $12,105; mortgs. and personalty, $20,891.

EUSTACE W. FISHER, (March 5, 1894;) estate insolvent

CARRIE HUNTER, (July 16, 1909;) deposits, $5,000; net estate, $4,850.

LEWIS LEVY, (June 27;) net estate, $27,591; equity in 181-183-185-187 E. 2 St., $16,809; deposits, $11,789.

LIZZIE LOFTUS, (Aug. 10, 1907;) deposits and personalty, $1,990; net estate, $1,355.

FRANCIS McCARREN, (May 25;) deposits and personalty $3,359; net estate, $2,889.

MICHAEL McPARTLAND, (Nov. 25, 1918;) net estate, $10,588; deposits, $5,904; mortgs., $6,723; stocks, $270; personalty, $50; ½ interest in saloon 1,681 Park Av., sold for $449.

ELIZABETH McPHERSON, (Feb. 17, 1903;) assets taxable in N. Y., stocks, $3,020; net value, $2,774

HENRIETTA B. STETTHEIMER, (June 8, 1910;) deposits, $791; net estate, $751.

EDWARD GERRISH THURBER, (Nov. 7, 1913;) net estate, $31,969; deposits, $809; personalty, $342; stocks and bonds, $31,910.

CALLMAN ROUSE, (Aug. 29, 1912;) (supplemental report.)

JESSIE TOWNSEND, (Feb. 27;) assets taxable in N. Y., 26 lots on L. I., $2,505.

WILLS FOR PROBATE.

HECKERT, KATHARINE, (Dec. 13;) personalty, $1,000; Heinrich Baron, brother, $200; Lena Bohlmeyer, sister, residue.

KANTLER, CHARLES, (Dec. 4;) realty, $5,000; personalty, $600; Emma Kantler, widow, $5 000.

MAYER, LINA, (no petition;) all to deceased husband, brothers, sisters, and their children.

RORERECK, ALICE GANTT, (Dec. 8;) personalty, $4,700; all to daughter, Agnes.

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THE WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Temperatures remain below the seasonal average generally, except in California, Florida, and in the east slope of the Rocky Mountains.

The weather is unseasonably cold along the north border from New England to the Dakotas and over Southern Canada. The lowest temperature reported Wednesday was 42 degrees below zero at White River, Ontario. There were local rains in the last twenty-four hours in the Gulf States and along the Mexican border and snow flurries in the St. Lawrence Valley, the great lakes region, Minnesota, and North Dakota.

The weather will be generally fair Thursday and cloudy Friday throughout the Atlantic States. It will be unsettled with probable rains in the Gulf States, Tennessee, and Arkansas and local snows in the region of the great lakes. In other parts of the country the weather will be generally fair Thursday and Friday.

Winds along the North Atlantic Coast will be moderate to fresh west Thursday and Friday; middle and South Atlantic Coasts, moderate, variable.

FORECASTS: TODAY AND FRIDAY.

Eastern New York, Southern New England, New Jersey, and Eastern Pennsylvania—Fair Thursday. Friday, cloudy.

Western New York—Partly cloudy Thursday and Friday.

Northern New England—Generally fair and continued cold Thursday and Friday.

The temperature record for the twenty-four hours ended at midnight, taken from the thermometer at the local office of the United States Weather Bureau, is as follows:

	1913.	1914.		1913.	1914.
3 A. M.	37	20	4 P. M.	44	27
6 A. M.	38	20	6 P. M.	44	26
9 A. M.	41	21	9 P. M.	48	23
12 M.	47	25	11 P. M.	50	21

This thermometer is 414 feet above the street level. The average temperature yesterday was 24; for the corresponding date last year it was 42; average on the corresponding date for the last thirty-three years, 33.

The temperature at 8 A. M. yesterday was 20, at 8 P. M. it was 24. Maximum temperature, 29 degrees at 2:20 P. M.; minimum, 19 degrees at 5 A. M. Humidity, 55 per cent. at 8 A. M., 26 per cent. at 8 P. M.

The barometer at 8 A. M. yesterday registered 30.06 inches, at 8 P. M. it stood at 30.19 inches.

FIRE RECORD.

A. M.	Loss.
12:50—1,617 1 Av.; Henry Brown	Slight
1:25—319 E. 109 St.	Not given
4:35—122 E. 4 St.; Wm. Schoen	Slight
6:35—1,105 2 Av.; Patk. Riley	Slight
6:40—301 E. 89 St.; Frances Cohen	Slight
7:40—183 W. 63d St.; Frank Salarna	$5
8:15—201 W. 83 St.; Lewis Rose	Slight
10:22—2,223 1 Av.; E. Goszerls	None
10:25—88 E. 114 St.; David Rubin	Slight
11:45—510 E. 185 St.; Jas. Derezorb	Slight
P. M.	
12:35—40 Cortlandt St.; Ex. Buffet Lunch	$50
12:40—351 E. 132 St.; Mary Pendergast	Slight
2:00—348 E. 66 St.; M. Goldstein	Not given
3:30—230 Sullivan St.; Mary Geason	Not given
3:30—333 E. 100 St.; Isaac Packman	Slight
6:10—89 Monroe St.; M. Bankolper	Slight
7:10—493 E. 156 St.; R. Rudostamsky	$10
7:35—112 Goerck St.; not given	Slight
7:10—493 E. 156 St.; R. Rudostomsky	$10
8:15—201 W. 91 St.; Mr. Jameson	$200
9:40—212 E. 23 St.; P. Pastiano	Slight
10:05—12 W. 17 St.; A. Gwertzman	Slight
10:40—109 2d Av.; Louis Gold	$2,000
11:00—121 10 St.; B. & D. Coat Front Co.	$500

POLICE AND FIRE NEWS.

Police Department.

Transfers, to take effect 9 A. M., Dec. 28: Lt. J. A. Park, 28, to Comrs. office, assigned to mounted duty and as instructor; Mtd. Lt. M. F. Walsh, Traf. D, to Comrs. office, assigned as mounted instructor. To take effect 4 P. M., Dec. 24: Patrol M. M. Grothers, 6, to Traf. A; W. T. de Young, Traf. A, to Bu. of Tele.

Temporary assignments: Surgeons J. A. Becker, 10 Surg. Dist., in charge 13 Surg. Dist., in addition to his own, for 3 days, from 8 A. M., Dec. 24; F. R. Oastler, 17 Surg. Dist., in charge 19 Surg. Dist., in addition to his own, for 8 days, from 6 P. M., Dec. 23; Sergts. R. H. McGill, 40, designated as Act. Lieut., for 4 days, from 12:01 A. M., Dec. 25; J. F. Mooney, 61, designated at Act. Lieut., for 6 days, from 9 A. M., Dec. 21; Dennis McCarthy, 65, designated as Act. Lieut., for 5 days, from 9 A. M., Dec. 21; Patrol. T. H. Kennelly, 4, to Det. Bu., for 5 days, from 10 A. M., Dec. 23; W. R. Wittenburg, 15, to Det. Bu., for 5 days, from 4 P. M., Dec. 25; Gustave Schley, 14, and S. G. Donahue, 42, to Det. Bu., for 10 days, from 4 P. M., Dec. 26; John Weisenreider, 21, to Det Bu., for 3 days, from 8 A. M., Dec. 23; Carl Wuestenhoefer and G. L. Roeder, 43, to Det. Bu., for 15 days, from 6 P. M., Dec. 22.

Leaves (with pay): Surgeons C. J. Dillon, 13th Surg. Dist., 3 days from 8 A. M. Dec. 24, balance of vacation; D. D. Jennings, 19th Surg. Dist., 8 days from 6 P. M. Dec. 23, balance of vacation; without pay: Patrol. J. T. Pinder, 16, 1 day from 6 P. M. Dec. 25; George Wetzel, 21, 1 day from 12 P. M. Dec. 24; Frank Marck, 22, 2 days from 8 A. M. Dec. 31; W. F. Kelly, 22, 4 days from 4 P. M. Dec. 30; J. P. J. Harrington, 29, 1 day from 8 A. M. Dec. 27; Oliver Fowler, 29, 1 day from 8 A. M. Dec. 26; T. J. Cullen, 29, 1 day from noon Dec. 23; John Schmittberger, 31, 1 day from 8 A. M. Dec. 24; T. J. Leonard, 33 2 days from 10 A. M. Dec. 25; G. F. Bucuris, 35, 1 day from 10 P. M. Dec. 25; J. S. C. Haughey, 35, 1 day from 10 P. M. Dec. 24; Emanuel Kutzer, 38, 1 day from 12 P. M. Dec. 27; P. J. Carr, 39, 1 day from 12 P. M. Dec. 26; A. A. Gennerich, 39, 1 day from 4 P. M. Jan. 1; John Alexy, 39, 1 day from 10 P. M. Dec. 25; Matron Margaret F. Gardiner, 14, 2 days from 8 A. M. Dec. 24.

Fined: J. M. Nolan, 1, absent from post; J. J. Thompson, 1, absent from post 2 days, made false statement 3 days; Francis Timmons, 2, absent from post, 2 days; Cornelius Sullivan, 6, improper patrol, 1 day; J. F. J. Healey, 15, same, 5 days; Thomas Coleman, 15, same, 4 days; H. A. McMahon, 16, same, 3 days; Daniel Mandel, 17, same, 2 days; J. J. Dorsey, 22, absent from post, 8 days; M. J. Doherty, 22, improper conduct, 30 days; M. J. Howley, 26, improper patrol 1 day, failed to signal, 1 day; Eugene O'Connor, 28, improper patrol, 2 days; Patrick Maher, 29, absent without leave, 1 day; J. E. Nolan, 38, absent from post, 5 days; Herman Heitner, 42, same, 4 days; J. P. Gallagher, 143, same, 3 days; Frank Mulvihill, 62, failed to signal 2 days, failed to report at end of tour, 5 days; G. A. Young, 43, improper patrol, 3 days.

Restored to duty: Patrol. Patrick Tully, 38, to take effect 5:25 P. M. Dec. 21; G. W. Hart, 164, to take effect 9:58 A. M. Dec. 21; Frederick Struss, 285, to take effect 11:50 A. M. Dec. 19.

Suspended from duty: Patrol. Patrick Tully, 38, to take effect 5:30 P. M. Dec. 21; G. W. Hart, 164 to take effect 10:02 A. M. Dec. 21; Frederick Struss, 285, to take effect noon Dec. 19.

Death reported: Sergt. J. H. Meyers, 25, at 7:22 P. M. Dec. 20.

Fire Department.

David Bisso, Eng. 154, fined $5 for loss of cap badge. Louis W. Dillman, Eng. 222, fined $2 for loss of box keys.

Penalties imposed: William Lennon, H. & L. 32, absence without leave, 7 regular leaves withheld.

Charge dismissed: Walter J. Hicks, Eng. 46, reckless driving.

Leave without pay: Louis A. D. Soracco, Eng. 30, 24 hours from 8 A. M. Dec. 26.

THE UNITED SERVICE.

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Army Orders.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Capt. G. E. Stewart, Q. M. C., in addition to other duties, is assigned to duty as Asst. to Depot Q. M., Ft. Sam Houston, Tex., relieving Capt. L. D. Cabell, Q. M. C., who will comply with such orders as he may receive from the Comdg. Gen., Southern Dept.

Infantry transfers: 1st Lts. C. L. Mitchell, 17 to 30; L. W. Moseley, 30 to 17.

Orders Sept. 17 as to Capt. J. D. Tilford, 3 Cav., amended to direct him, when his services are no longer required in connection with the transport City of Memphis, to join his regt.

Capt. H. S. Hetrick, C. E., from station at Lock 43, Ohio River, Ky., Jan. 1, to Louisville, Ky., with his present duties.

Orders Dec. 17 amended to relieve Maj. P. D. Lochridge, Cav., from recruiting service, Dec. 3, instead of Jan. 2.

Transfers in F. A.: Capts. F. E. Hopkins, 6 to 1, and C. Deems, Jr., 1 to 6.

Orders Oct. 30 directing 2d Lt. C. M. Haverkamp, 1 Cav., to sail for Manila about Feb. 5 amended to direct him to sail about March 5.

1st Lt. E. J. Farrow, M. R. C., relieved from further duty in Southern Dept., and on expiration of present leave will report for duty at his station, Ft. Morgan, Ala.; then to San Fran., and sail about March 5 for the Phpns.

Resignation of 2d Lt. F. H. Hicks, 1 Cav., accepted, Jan. 14.

Capt. W. L. Luhn, 10 Cav., to service in Q. M. C., Jan. 11, vice Capt. J. Longstreet, Q. M. C., relieved and assigned to 6 Cav.

Capt. E. W. Clark, 24 Inf., to service in Q. M. C., Jan. 30, vice Capt. H. F. Dalton, Q. M. C., relieved and assigned to 23 Inf. Capt. Dalton will be assigned to a co. in 23 Inf.

Leaves: Col. F. B. Jones, 8 Inf., 2 months; Capt. F. S. Leisenring, 4 Inf., 1 month's extn.; 1st Lt. F. L. Minnigerode, 8 Inf., 1 month, and 1st Lt. J. C. Drain, 15 Inf., 2 months.

Navy Orders.

Med. Dir. L. I. von Wedekind, the Solace, to home and wait orders.

Naval Vessels.

Arrived—Balch, at Newport; Benham, at Whitestone Landing; Stewart, at San Pedro; Jenkins, at New York Yard; Henley, at Gravesend Bay; Preston, at Whitestone Landing; Jason, at Piraeus, and the San Francisco, at Pensacola.

Sailed—Monaghan, New York Yard for Charleston; Nashville, Portsmouth, N. H., for post repair trial; West Virginia and Iroquois, San Diego for San Francisco; Tennessee, Alexandria, Egypt, for Jaffa; San Diego, La Paz for Mazatlan; Raleigh, Manzanillo for Salina Cruz.

The San Diego, now on west coast of Mexico, ordered to San Diego, to arrive by Dec. 30, to remain one week, and then return to Mexican waters.

THE CIVIL SERVICE.

City.

The receipt of applications for Superintendent Municipal Lodging House will be closed at 4 P. M. on Dec. 30. There is one position of this title at $2,400 a year. Certification from the list will also be made for Deputy Superintendent at $1,200 a year. Maintenance will accompany each position. Appointees must reside in New York State. The minimum age is 21 years.

United States.

The commission announces for Jan. 20 at the New York Custom House a competitive examination for Inspector of Shoes and Leather, for men only, to fill seven vacancies at the Depot of Supplies, U. S. Marine Corps, Philadelphia, Penn., at $5.04 a day. Competitors will be examined in spelling, arithmatic, letter writing, penmanship, copying from plain copy, training, and experience. Age 20 years or over on the date of the examination. Further information may be obtained from the commission, Washington, D. C.

EDUCATION NOTES.

At a special meeting yesterday the Trustees of Hunter College adopted the following reports and resolutions of its Executive Committee:

Requesting the Board of Estimate to take steps toward the issue of corporate stock to the amount of $682,600 for the erection of Section C of the new college buildings.

Continuing the appointment for one year of Miss Alice Soule, library assistant.

Making regular the temporary appointment of Horatio Watson as a clerical assistant.

Fixing the salary of Miss Aline M. Meyer, clerical assistant, at $960 a year.

The Board of Education found Jacob Rodecker, wireman in the Bureau of School Buildings, guilty yesterday of charges of neglect of duty and gross misconduct preferred against him by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and by a unanimous vote of thirty-five members present dismissed him from the service.

Permission was granted to the Board of Superintendents yesterday to withdraw its nomination of Elizabeth M. Teas as Assistant Inspector of ungraded classes.

Mortgage Loans.

Thirty-five cents a line.

Money advanced on Rents; First and Second Mortgage Money. R. M. De Leeuw, 15 Broad.

City Property.

Thirty cents a line.

Manhattan—For Sale or To Let.

EWING, BACON & HENRY,
Real Estate—Insurance, 101 Park Av.

Bronx—For Sale or To Let.

Corner Tiebout Av. and Ford St.
90x164; sell cheap or exchange.
STEINMETZ, 1,005 EAST 180TH.

Queens—For Sale or To Let.

SEE THE NEW HOMES AT
KEW GARDENS.
15 minutes from Penn. Terminal.

To Let for Business Purposes.

Thirty cents a line.

OFFICES TO SUBLET
for unexpired terms of three months to three years; ANYWHERE, uptown or downtown; saving in rent, 20% to 40%; furnished or unfurnished; single offices and suites.
OFFICE SUB-LETTING COMPANY,
1,476 Broadway, (corner 42d.) Bryant—5786.

Four-story and basement brownstone house
on 56th Street,
Between Madison and Park Avenues.
Very attractive rental.
Full commission to brokers.
EDINBURGH REALTY COMPANY,
82 East 56th Street.

71 WORTH ST.
Store, basement, and sub-basement, 25x100, for rent; also fourth loft, 50x100; elevators and steam heat. Herbert A. Sherman, 20 Nassau St., or 41 East 41st St.

36 EAST 49TH ST.
Parlor floor and basement for business.
HERBERT A. SHERMAN, 41 E. 41st St., or premises.

Loft, with large corner show windows and basement; rent $125 f. 6,000 sq. ft. inc. steam heat. Muller, 129 Patchen Av., Bkn.

Desk room for rent; nice office; phone; light; modern; cheap. 99 Nassau St., Room 1009.

Lofts, offices, showrooms. Rothschild Realty Co., 98 5th Av. Phone 4990 Chelsea.

Stores in the midtown section. Van Norden & Wilson, 1 West 34th St., N. Y.

243-247 West 17th to 232-234 West 18th St. Apply 119 West 40th St.

Brooklyn.

For Manufacturing or Storage Purposes.—Will rent reasonable three-story corner building, 60x75. R. A. Correa, 267 Flatbush Av., Brooklyn.

Property Out of the City.

Thirty cents a line.

Westchester—For Sale or To Let.

HOMES AND ESTATES
FOR SALE OR RENT.
ANGELL & CO., SCARSDALE, N. Y.

Larchmont.

Come and see homes and bungalows at Larchmont. Leo Bugg, 40 West 32d St.

Long Island—For Sale or To Let.

North Shore—Waterfront properties; $5,000-$50,000. L'Ecluse Washburn Co., 18 East 34th St.

New Jersey—For Sale or To Let.

FORECLOSURE BARGAIN.
Price $4,250; seven-room house, handsomely decorated; plot 69x125; all improvements, 5 minutes to station; near trolley. House, Room 516, 1,328 Broadway, city.

Apartments to Let

Furnished.
Thirty cents a line.

West Side.

A.—A.— THE WILSONIA,
225, 227, 229 West 69th St., near Broadway.
1 room, bath, $30; 2 rooms, bath, kitchenette, $45 up; 3 rooms, bath, kitchenette, $55 up. Exceptionally clean apartments. No objectionable tenants. 'Phone and elevator service; maid service if desired. Near Subway, "L," and surface cars.
REFERENCES ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL.
Superintendent on premises. 'Phone 9920—Col.

A.—A.—CATHEDRAL PLAZA.
100 Cathedral Parkway, 110th, Columbus Av.
At Morningside Park, near Central Park.
1, 2, AND 3 ROOMS.
Dishes, cooking utensils, and silver.
Private bath, kitchenette, furnished, $30, $40, $50 up monthly; unfurnished, $25, $30, $40; elevator, hotel service; near "L" and Subway; references; special rates on lease.

Apartments to let, furnished or unfurnished, high-class hotel service, at bargain prices. A few choice apartments left. Restaurant. Two rooms and bath, furnished, $40 month upward; 3 rooms and bath, $55 month upward. Hotel Oxford, 35 East 27th St. Hotel St. Louis, 34 East 32d St.

176th, West, (214 Audubon Av.)—Ideally furnished high-class elevator apartment, complete housekeeping, four handsome large rooms; immaculate, pretty home. Markham. Phone 3610 Audubon.

116th St., 610 West.—Five rooms and bath, sixth floor, nicely furnished. Will rent to Oct. 1; high-class house; references required. Telephone Morningside 3040. Thompson.

Furnished corner (Astor) apartment, 8 rooms, bath, refrigeration; all sunny rooms; reasonable rent; appointment. Leigh, 235 West 75th St.

Handsomely furnished, high-class elevator apt. at 81st and B'way; 5 rooms and bath. Mrs. Coyle, 11 West 34th. Tel. 5889 Greeley.

Apartment of 4 rooms and bath, facing Broadway; rent to June 1, $90 per month. 250 West 78th St., corner Broadway

Attractively furnished seven rooms, 2 bathrooms; complete and homelike. 620 West 115th.

Furnished apartment, small, every convenience, 47th, near 6th, four months, $35 monthly. 'Phone 6870 Bryant.

113th, 507 West.—Sublet, 4-room apartment; completely furnished. Inquire at office.

237 West 74th.—Seven rooms, well furnished, all light; Winter months. McCormack.

Apartments Wanted—Furnished

Thirty cents a line.

Responsible party desires to lease for four to six months first-class furnished apartment; $75 per month; state full particulars; A1 references. S 169 Times.

Apartments to Let

Unfurnished.
Thirty cents a line.

West Side.

Large, bright, and airy, overlooking the Bryant Park; also large rooms, with private bathrooms, unfurnished, by month or week in a private house, with all modern conveniences. 58 West 40th St.

Elevator apartment, all improvements; 4, 5, and 6 rooms; $35 to $52. 719 West 180th St. Supt. on premises.

Apartment, corner, 6 rooms and bath, all improvements; steam heat; newly decorated; rent, $37 month. 70 West 128th.

WASHINGTON HEIGHTS APARTMENTS.
Bert G. Faulhaber Co., Broadway and 156th.

The Evanston, 90th St. and West End Av.—Ten-room duplex apartment, three baths.

Apartments to Let

Unfurnished.
Thirty Cents a Line.

West Side.

180th, 661 West, corner Broadway.—Elevator, 4-5 rooms; large and light; $49-$50.

838-844 Riverside Drive; near 158th St.; 6 and 7 rooms; $780 to $1,100.

Two rooms, kitchenette, and bath, 47 West 72d St.; $60 per month.

Free rent until Feb. 15, 4-8 rooms; elevator. 306 Times Downtown.

East Side.

480 PARK AV.——54 EAST 59TH ST.
6 Rooms & 2 Baths....$1,100
8 Rooms & Bath, (North Light)....$600
Fireproof—All Improvements—Standard Service.

36 East 49th St.—One, two, and three rooms and bath; service; all improvements. Herbert A. Sherman, 41 E. 41st St., or premises.

Two-room suites and alcove, suitable for bachelor or couple. 82 East 56th St., apply on premises

755 Park Av., corner 72d St.
9 and 11 rooms, 3 baths, $3,500 to $5,500.

Madison Square apartments to lease.
40 East 26th St.

Boarders Wanted

Twenty cents a line.

East Side.

9TH, 12 EAST, (Near 5th Av.)—Desirable large, small rooms; private bath; steam; reasonable.

53D ST., 37-52 EAST.—Room; suite with bath; references; table board.

A.—5TH AV., 47.—Attractive, steam-heated rooms; table board; references.

IRVING PLACE, 71.—Large room, bath; also parlor, with piano; small rooms.

West Side.

16TH, 20, 22, 33 WEST. — Large rooms, well heated; unexcelled board; telephone.

44TH, 260 WEST, (Alliance Hotel.)—Room and board, $11 weekly; European and American plan; bath; suites. Times Square.

54TH ST., 54 WEST.
Rooms, private baths; electricity; references.

56TH ST., 62 WEST.—Desirable rooms, with board; table board; references.

57TH, 349 WEST.—Large and small rooms, private bath; superior board; references.

64TH, 115 WEST.—Large sunny room; also small; excellent table; American house; moderate.

68TH, 56 WEST.—Artistically furnished, large room, adjoining bath; electric light; suit parties desiring high-class accommodations with family owning beautiful home; Southern cooking.

68TH, 74 WEST.—Double, single rooms; private bath; $7-$14 up; excellent table; families.

71ST, 130 WEST. — Comfortable large and small rooms; every convenience; superior table; Subway and L.

73D, 142 WEST.—Handsome suite; also large room; all improvements; board optional.

76TH, 127-129 WEST.—Attractive rooms; parlor dining; excellent table; reasonable; table guests.

77TH, 301 WEST.—Select pension offers sunny, second-floor, medium front room; medium single room; unsurpassed cuisine; electricity, telephone.

78TH, 121 WEST. — Beautiful, sunny single room, connecting shower; gentlemen; private family.

79TH, 114 AND 132 WEST.—Unusual and attractive "pensions," with large parlors, tea-room, and lounge; Southern cooking; white maid service; private telephone; booklet on request.

79TH, 162 WEST.—Large, comfortably furnished room in refined home; private bath; references.

80TH, 123 WEST. — Desirable sunny rooms; continuous hot water; excellent table; references.

80TH, 124 WEST.—Desirable, large, sunny room; also medium room; generous table.

81ST, 151 WEST.—Newly furnished, high-class house; electricity; telephone; excellent cuisine; table guests.

81ST, 129 WEST.—Double, next bath, $15; small, $8; excellent English cooking.

82D, 124 WEST.—GREYCOURT.
Open for transients and permanent residents; attractive, modern; write for booklet, references.

82D, 50-52 WEST.—Attractive small rooms; excellent board; reasonable; references.

83D ST., 11 WEST.
Warm, comfortably furnished rooms; refined surroundings; excellent board; reasonable.

83D, 40 WEST.—Beautifully furnished rooms; excellent board; table guests; moderate terms.

84TH, 53 WEST.—Beautiful room; private bath; excellent table board; Jewish; reference.

93D, 252 WEST.—Desirable large rooms; private bath; excellent meals; reasonable; references.

94TH, 20 WEST. — Newly renovated house; second floor, front; hall room; references.

96TH, 54 WEST.—Comfortable, well heated rooms; convenient locality; excellent table; refined neighborhood.

113TH ST., 625 WEST.
A large room, private bath; southern cooking; reasonable. 8136 Morningside.

114TH, 526 WEST.—Attractive, large, sunny room, adjoining bath; exceptional table.

THE EVELYN LODGE.
Charming family Hotel of highest order; healthful location, 20 min. B'way, 5c. fare; lovely furnished rooms, suites, all comforts; most excellent cuisine; separate tables; rare, homelike atmosphere; worth investigation; weekly, $8-$12 per adult, with meals.
71 Central Av., St. George, S. I.
Take Sub., "L" or Trolley to South Ferry.

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Thirty cents a line.

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Winter engagements now made; large, well-heated house; large dining room; beautiful river view; unexcelled home cooking, High Cliff Hall, Park Hill, Yonkers. Telephone 2161 Yonkers.

Furnished Rooms

Twenty cents a line.

East Side.

53D, 65 EAST.—Suite, with private bath; private house; no other rooms; phone.

IRVING PLACE, 14.—Front rooms; box spring beds; tiled bathrooms; absolute cleanliness.

LEXINGTON AV., 1,372, (90th.) — Large, sunny room; every convenience; Christian physician's residence; convenient, refined neighborhood; breakfast optional; reasonable.

LEXINGTON AV, 347, (40th.)—Newly furnished, large small rooms; private bath; conveniences.

West Side.

8TH ST., 18 WEST.—Comfortable, well-furnished rooms, all outside, with, without private bath.

12TH, 34 WEST.—Large, small, with or without private baths; steam; electricity; phone.

32D ST., (Hotel Strand, just east of Broadway.)—Room, with private bath, $9 and $10 per week; parlor, bedroom, and bath, $60 per month; same price for one or two persons.

32D ST., (between Broadway and 5th Av.)—Rooms with private bath $10 to $12 for week; same price for one or two persons in room. Hotel Aberdeen.

34TH, 117-119 EAST.—Double and single rooms, with board.

36TH, 40 WEST.—Comfortable hall rooms, running water; bath; $4, $4.50.

40TH, 66 WEST.—Two rooms; sunny; en suite; bath, electricity; private house; references; bachelors.

47TH, 41 WEST. — Excellent single room; steam heated; porcelain bath; privilege select home; reasonable.

47TH, 1 WEST.—Large, fine, front room; shower bath; electricity, steam; select.

55TH, 101 WEST.—Large, small; running water; steam heat; southern exposure. Kimball.

56TH, 242 WEST.—Desirable, large, small rooms; private bath; board optional.

57TH, 155 WEST.—Comfortable room for gentleman; desirable location; heat; terms moderate.

58TH ST., 21-23 WEST.—Elegant rooms; private baths; kitchenette; telephone; first-class location; $7, $8, $10.

68TH, 30 WEST.—Magnificent large room, dressing room; large closets; excellent board; $7 up.

69TH, 50 WEST.—Attractive, sunny rooms; modern improvements; refined surroundings; gentlemen or business women.

70TH, 62-64 WEST.—Newly furnished, beautifully decorated house; conveniences; suites, single; private bath; continuous hot running water; meals optional; white service; telephone; references.

70TH, 134 WEST.—Large, beautiful room, private bath, or without; phone; reference.

71ST, 165 WEST.—Handsomely furnished, clean, large, small rooms; refined home; reasonable.

71ST, 251 WEST.—Bright, sunny rooms; large, small; newly furnished; decorated; Subway; references.

71ST, 351 WEST.—Front room, on ground floor; private bath; also others; $4, $12; gentlemen; references.

71ST, 104 WEST.—Well furnished room, suitable two gentlemen; private family.

72D, 147 WEST, (near Broadway.)—Beautifully furnished, large room with toilet; private bath; continuous hot water; surplus heat.

Furnished Rooms

Twenty cents a line.

West Side.

72D, 154 WEST.—Comfortably furnished rooms; all conveniences; telephone; moderate.

72D, 248 WEST.—Parlor floor, front basement; also other rooms; exceptional. Columbus 1894.

73D, 255 WEST.—Large room, with private bath; also smaller; refined surroundings.

75TH, 124 WEST.—Exclusive, newly furnished private house; large, medium, and small rooms; private baths; telephone; breakfast served.

75TH, 58 WEST.—Beautiful large room; adjoining bath; select house; telephone; reasonable.

75TH, 46 WEST.—Newly furnished single room; convenient "L," Subway; very reasonable.

75TH, 116 WEST.—Choice room; private house; twin beds; steam heat; electricity; references.

76TH, 125 WEST.—Attractive, warm, sunny front rooms; exclusive neighborhood; breakfast; references.

76TH, 158 WEST. — Beautifully furnished, small rooms; running water; modern improvements; gentlemen; references.

77TH, 158 WEST.—Large rooms, with, without bath; newly furnished house; electric lights; private.

77TH, 141 WEST.—Well furnished room, bath, electricity; private family.

78TH, 112 WEST.—Large, small rooms, adjoining bath; comforts; cleanliness; refined, private home.

78TH, 132 WEST.—Large room; southern exposure; private bath, twin beds; smaller rooms.

79TH, 149 WEST.—Attractive, large, comfortable room with private bath; Subway, "L."

80TH, 126 WEST.—One large room; private bath; every convenience; see and appreciate.

82D, 250 WEST.—Desirable, large, front room; private bath; gentlemen; references. Dutton.

82D, 140 WEST.—Comfortable, large, medium; private house; telephone; references; conveniences.

82D, 134 WEST.—Elegant second floor rooms, private bath reasonable rates.

83D, 17 WEST.—High-class Jewish house; home surroundings; excellent table; table guests.

85TH, 128 WEST.—Large and medium rooms; well-heated house; hot water supply; telephone.

86TH, 341 WEST.—Large, handsomely furnished room; private bath, exclusive neighborhood; near Riverside and Subway.

86TH ST., 337 WEST.
Rooms, exclusive; near Riverside and Subway.

87TH, 138 WEST.—Handsomely furnished suite; private bath; kitchenette; small room; reference.

87TH, 138 WEST.—Elegantly furnished suites; private baths; small rooms; heated, water; references.

93D, 35 WEST.—Attractive, well-heated, small, sunny, front room; phone; $2.75.

107TH ST., 230 WEST.—Very sunny room, all conveniences. Apt. 50.

112TH, 242 WEST.—Comfortable steam-heated room for one or couple in refined adult family; breakfast optional. Saal.

113TH, 560 WEST. — Exceptionally warm rooms, private bath; singly or en suite; excellent cuisine.

118TH, 400 WEST, (Morningside Heights.)—2-3 large, sunny, corner rooms, facing park; glorious view; celebrated pure food restaurant; moderate; references. Inquire Apt. 5.

118TH, 419 WEST.—Attractive front suite, southern exposure; elevator; reasonable. Apt. 32.

119TH, 121 WEST. — Single, double rooms, connecting bath; refined house, desirable neighborhood; 'phone.

121ST, 130 WEST.—Beautiful suites, or separate; southern exposure; modern, refined; suitable doctor.

122D, 540 WEST.—Homelike corner rooms; refined surroundings; elevator; references. Apt. 61.

123D, 30 WEST. — Private family; warm, homelike room; southern exposure; water; phone; Subway.

136TH, 538 WEST. — Beautifully furnished rooms; private bath; conveniences; Subway; gentlemen; references. Apartment 1.

142D, 458 WEST.—Large front room; $10 weekly; private residence; Subway; references; telephone.

ALLERTON HOUSE, 300 WEST 22D ST.
(For Bachelors Only.)
Hotel and club conveniences; new fireproof building; elevator; hot and cold water in every room; tub and shower baths; all outside rooms; single rooms, $4 to $7 weekly; rooms for two, $3 to $3.50 weekly each.

DESIRABLE ROOM; private family. Address Chandler, 304 West 99th St.

ONE AND TWO ROOMS.
Each with bath, at 420 West 116th St., furnished; rentals at $25 per month and upward, including service. 'Phone 5800 Morning.

RIVERSIDE DRIVE, 126.—Comfortable light room; running water; gentlemen; references. Freeman.

WEST END AV., 611.—Magnificent large room; private bath; also medium sized room; electricity; 91st Subway; private family; references.

WEST END AV., 328.—Elegantly furnished rooms; $4-$15; suites; breakfast optional. Col. 7174.

WIDOWER will rent one or two rooms on Riverside Drive, with breakfast; near Subway; to men; great bargain. B 25 Times.

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Twenty cents a line.

Bachelors!—Two large connecting rooms, with bath and grate fires, in private house; convenient to all lines. 30 West 90th St.

Help Wanted, Female

Twenty-five cents a line.

BRIGHT YOUNG GIRL, American, experienced in checking bills; must be quick to learn, accurate, and hard worker; for the right girl the position will be permanent; to start, $12; increase certain if satisfactory; state experience and age. Address L 28 Times.

SECRETARY.—Wanted, a lady between 25 and 45, expert stenographer and typist, with thorough knowledge of English and correspondence; personal reference for at least a year with former employer required; please answer by long hand letter, stating qualifications in full. X 272 Times Annex.

Help Wanted, Male

Twenty-five cents a line.

ADVERTISING.—Wanted, energetic, wide-awake, experienced advertising man for high-class Jewish English weekly; must be well recommended. L 29 Times.

BOY wanted by large advertising agency; must be neat and have good knowledge of English; experience not necessary; state qualifications and salary expected. Address Agency, P. O. Box 206, Madison Square, New York.

FLOOR SALESMAN.—Young man, 17 to 21, as floor salesman for large underwear manufacturer; good future; must have good education and good appearance; give full details by letter; salary. Box L 27 Times.

PORTER.—Wanted, a strong porter for general housework; must be experienced and sober. Apply between 5 and 6 P. M. 58 West 40th St.

SALESMAN to handle a popular-priced line of brassieres as a side line; commission basis only; for the States of New York and Pennsylvania; corset salesman preferred. William Raubitschek, 1,361 Atlantic Av., B'klyn.

SALESMAN thoroughly experienced in photographic lenses, city territory, $15-$18.

SALESMEN wanted; experienced in haberdashery. Lambert, 124 Nassau St.

SOLICITOR.—An advertising solicitor who is sure of a high-class reference from his present employer and only such as can prove they have earned not less than $25 weekly need apply; commission or salary; 8:30 to 10 A. M. today. Room 712 A, 160 5th Av.

STENOGRAPHER for large manufacturing concern; state qualifications and salary desired. T 6 Times.

Instruction.

Thirty cents a line.

BECOME A PHOTOGRAPHER.—earn $50 to $100 weekly as a motion-picure photographer; earn $20 to $50 weekly as a studio, newspaper, war official, or commercial photographer; photo-engraver; no book study; 1 to 3 months' practice and demonstrations; we assist you to positions; $10 starts you; earn while learning; men and women; write or call. New York Institute of Photography, 1,269 Broadway. E. Brunel, Director.

MEN.—Great demand; splendid income assured mechanical dentists; no book study. For particulars apply Bodee's Dental Trade School, Dept. T, 489 5th Av., near 42d. The first school recognized by dental profession. Estab. 1892.

SALESMEN WANTED.—Experience unnecessary; easy work, big pay; write (or call) for particulars and large list of openings offering opportunities to earn $100 to $500 a month while you learn. Address NATIONAL SALESMEN'S TRAINING ASSOCIATION, Dept. 1,001 C, Candler Building, Times Square, N. Y.

SALESMEN.—Study advanced salesmanship; highest paid profession; real opportunities guaranteed; free booklet. Bradstreet System, Inc., Park Row Building, New York City, Dept. 13.

Employment Agencies.

Thirty Cents a Line.

NATIONAL EMPLOYMENT EXCHANGE,
30 Church St.
SUPERINTENDENT thoroughly experienced in sheet metal works for the manufacture of hotel cooking apparatus; salary, $2,000-$2,500.

Automobile Exchange

Thirty cents a line.

STUTZ • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • STUTZ
LATEST STUTZ COUPE, like new.
Run 1,500 miles. $1,000 less than cost. Stutz guarantee included. AN EXCELLENT CHRISTMAS GIFT.
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"WHITE."
Just like new; finest equipment.
Cost $2,700; sacrifice for $1,350.
A rare bargain; quality seldom obtainable.
Classy, fine appearance; light and speedy.
2-passenger Roadster, 4 cyl., 30 H. P.
Ideal for touring, doctor, or merchant.
Investigate, then judge. Reed, 84 Chambers.

Chase.—1½-ton, thoroughly overhauled and in A1 condition; will accept from responsible party small cash payment, balance in notes.
E. P. Risbrough, 601 West 127th St. Phone 3085 Morningside.

Must sell my 7-passenger 1910 Garford at once, overhauled, tires good, and newly painted; phone or write.
Arthur J. Gibney, 110 E. 159th St., N. Y. Phone Melrose 1161-J.

PACKARD "14-38" limousine car, painted Packard blue, in guaranteed condition. (No. 811.) Packard Motor Car Co. of N. Y., 1,861 Broadway, N. Y. C.

Cadillac, 1914 touring, electric lighting and starting, perfect condition; will sacrifice $1,100. Chas. E. Riess & Co., Inc., 1,690 Broadway.

Hupmobile, 1915 Sedan-touring car, slightly used for demonstrating, at attractive reduction. Chas. E. Riess & Co., Inc., 1,690 Broadway.

Hupmobile, "32" roadster, A1 condition, will sacrifice $500. Chas. E. Riess & Co., Inc., 1,690 Broadway.

Excellent German touring car, perfect condition; must be sold; very cheap. T 13 Times.

Hupmobile, "20" touring car, $300. Chas. E. Riess & Co., Inc., 1,690 Broadway.

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Will give profitable contract on 3 and 5 ton new trucks I have for sale—only small cash investment required—balance easy terms and covered by profit. See at once.
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Wanted, Contracts
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Trucks—any size—any style—body suitable for your business; low rates—guaranteed service; if you are renting horses—get our figures and see real economy; if motor trucks, we can surely beat them!
Harry A. Moss,
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Trucks.—Have Alco 2-ton and Autocar which I am obliged to dispose of; both in excellent condition, former almost new; time payments, if necessary, to responsible parties; when writing state phone.
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BOOKKEEPER, typewriter, stenographer; thoroughly experienced, competent, conscientious; employed with woolen house past four years; prefer change. T 8 Times.

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STENOGRAPHER, typewriter; thoroughly trained beginner; American; neat, rapid, good speller; no agency; $6. Miss Meyer 367 Times Downtown.

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A.—A.—A.—ACCOUNTANT, CERTIFIED.—Books opened, closed, audited, systematized, untangled, investigation, INCOME TAX reports prepared; superior service; rates moderate. Louis Gross, 132 Nassau St. Tel. Beekman—2960.

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Count six words to a line.
Telephone 1000 Bryant.

LOST—Between Columbus Av., 89th St., and Amsterdam Av., 86th St., pearl earring with small diamond. Suitable reward, no questions asked, if returned to R. Neumann & Co., 76 Worth St.

LOST—On Monday, Dec. 21, on Lackawanna train or between Hoboken and Adams Express Building, 61 Broadway, pearl scarf pin. Fifty dollars reward on return to Findlay, Room 1,801, 61 Broadway.

LOST—Lady's open-faced gold watch, monogram, "E. M. L.," entrance to South Ferry Subway station; reward. Sills, 11 Broadway. Rector 3064.

LOST—Saturday, in or near Wanamaker's, brown purse containing watch and money. East Orange commutation; reward. Return 26th floor, Western Union Bldg., Dey St.

LOST—Double face gold watch, diamond on back cover, Waltham, vicinity Altman's, 5th Av., between 5:30 and 6 P. M., Tuesday; also watch pin. Reeves, 119 Lexington Av.

LOST—Monday or Tuesday, tan pocketbook, money, diamond, and sapphire pendant. Communicate Garrison, 2,649 Bedford Av., Brooklyn. Reward.

LOST—Lady's open-faced gold watch; monogram "F. H. J."; Broadway, 33d Subway to City Hall Place; reward. Jerome, 40 West 33d St.

LOST—Gold watch bracelet, 12 diamonds, initials "M. E. T." on back, between 96th and 66th Subway; reward. 319 West 95th.

LOST.—20 St. Paul preferred, No. 47,065, in name George M. Winne. If found notify Harris, Winthrop & Co., 15 Wall St.

LOST—Tuesday, 37th St. to Hotel Plaza, diamond and platinum bracelet; liberal reward; no questions. H. Mason, Hotel Plaza.

LOST—Wednesday, diamond crescent, about 23 diamonds; reward. McGrane, 2,880 Broadway, City.

LOST—Miniature on ivory, in small box, 2x3; reward. Return to A. B. Hines, 209 East 31st St. Phone 5134 Murray Hill.

LOST—Large sapphire diamond circle pin, platinum setting, Monday, 62d to 35th Sts.; suitable reward. 221 West 57th St.

LOST—Bank book No. 1014994. Finder requested to return it to Bowery Savings Bank, 130 Bowery, New York.

LOST—A small gold purse, with rubies, in the Waldorf dressing room. Return Mrs. T. J. Connors, 32 East 64th.

LOST—Platinum sapphire bar pin, Madison Av., 72d St., 5th Av., 80th St.; suitable reward. 46 East 79th St.

LOST—Wanamaker's, Saturday, brown skunk muff; reward. Pangborn, 316 West 95th St.

LOST—Tuesday, topaz pin with pearls; great sentimental value; reward. 129 East 19th St.

LOST—Knights of Columbus gold fob charm. Return Room 861, 200 5th Av. Reward.

LOST — 76th, West, meshbag with rosary; name on both; reward. 34 West 76th.

LIBERAL REWARD for return of pocketbook containing money and jewelry, lost Wednesday morning, 9th Av. "L" express. Anderson, 28 St. Nicholas Place, near West 152d St.

$75 REWARD
for pearl earring with small diamond at top, lost Tuesday evening on Madison Av., between 65th and 70th Sts. Return to Black, Starr & Frost, 5th Av. and 48th St.

$500 REWARD
for sapphire and diamond brooch lost last week between Broadway, 39th St. and Riverside Drive, 86th St.
TIFFANY & CO., Fifth Av.-37th St.

$100 REWARD; no questions, if person who found diamond and onyx ring, St. Nicholas Rink, Dec. 14, will return to W. H. Mackintosh, 1,372 Broadway.

REWARD—Platinum lavalliere, containing diamond and small pearls. George Schoemaker, Paterson, N. J.

Found

FOUND—Black, long-haired muff, on Washington Av. Levey, 15 Beekman Place.

Lost and Found, Cats and Dogs.

LOST—Sunday, 69th, West End Av., Yorkshire Terrier, "William"; $10 reward. MacBRIDE, Hotel Ansonia.

Public Notices

Forty-five cents a line.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, PURSUANT to Article 9, Section 202, of the Lien Law, being Chapter 33 of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York, that a certain Garford Automobile Truck, Model D, now in possession of JOHN P. QUIRK, doing business as the EIGHTEENTH STREET GARAGE, will be sold at public auction on the 8th day of January, 1915, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon, at 157 West 18th Street, in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, to the highest bidder for the purpose of satisfying a lien which John P. Quirk, doing business as the Eighteenth Street Garage, has on said automobile, said automobile being sold for the account of the Waverly Express Co.
Dated New York, Dec. 24, 1914.
JOHN P. QUIRK.
HIRSON & BERTINI, 44 Cedar Street, New York City, Attorneys.

NOTICE.
I am not responsible for any debts of M[illegible] Ray Bailey Genaro. DAVE GENARO.

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Forty-five cents a line.

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Want lease on good apartment hotel, 150 to 200 rooms, west side, above 59th St. L 26 Times.

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Gentleman will sell collection English antiques; can be seen by appointment. S 106 Times.

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Diamonds at Wholesale.—Bought, sold, and appraised. M. J. Averbeck, 10 Maiden Lane.

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Forty-five cents a line.

Manufacturers' and wholesalers' outstanding accounts financed, notes purchased. Nassau Finance, 119 Nassau.

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For Sale—Miscellaneous

Thirty cents a line.

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A full line of new and slightly used Roll Top, Flat Top, Typewriter and Bookkeeper's Desks, Chairs, Tables, Upright Files, Sectional Bookcases, &c., at interesting prices. Phone Franklin 3870.
The Office Furniture Trading Co.,
275 Canal Street, near Broadway.

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Forty-five cents a line.

MULTIGRAPH letters, 300, $1.30; 1,000 $1.75; 10,000, $9; prompt. Phone Beekman 5350. G. R. Weatherford, 116 Nassau. Room 1,005.

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Thirty cents a line.

HIGHEST PRICES for pawn tickets, diamonds, old gold, silver, platinum, antiques, artificial teeth. A. S. Borg, 146 West 23d.

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Thirty cents a line.

Chows.—Two puppies, male; colors, blue and red; prize-winning stock; best offer before Christmas takes them. Axtell. 7493 Lenox.

Situations Wanted

Fifteen cents a line.

Male.

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STENOGRAPHER, BOOKKEEPER. — Thoroughly experienced; would like to hear from concern needing services of reliable man. American, L 160 Times.

STENOGRAPHER, TYPEWRITER. — Neat, intelligent boy; beginner; $6. Mr. Collins, 868 Times Downtown.

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ROCKEFELLER GIFTS TO COLLEGES LISTED

General Education Board Issues a Report of Appropriations It Has Made.

$34,000,000 STILL ON STAND

Disbursements Total $10,582,591, for Which Entire Sum to be Raised Is $50,384,323.

The General Education Board, which administers funds established by John D. Rockefeller, gave out yesterday the fourth installment of its annual report. This installment contains the details of the board's gifts to colleges. The list includes not only the amounts the board subscribed, but those sums toward which it contributed a part.

The appropriations by geographical sections were as follows:

	Appropriations of Board.	Entire Sum to be Raised.
To Southern States....	*$3,052,625	$12,199,677
To Western States	3,967,781	19,374,522
To East. & Mid. States.	3,562,185	18,810,124
Totals	$10,582,591	$50,384,323

Southern States.

The subscriptions to colleges in the Southern States amounted to $3,052,625 toward a total of $12,199,677, as follows:

	Subscribed by G. E. B.	Supplemental Sum.
MARYLAND—$250,000.		
Johns Hopkins........	$250,000	$750,000
VIRGINIA—$490,000.		
Emory and Henry....	50,000	200,000
*Randolph-Macon	60,000	130,000
Rand.-Macon Woman's	75,000	175,000
Richmond	150,000	350,000
Virginia	50,000	450,000
*Washington & Lee...	105,000	445,000
NORTH CAROLINA—$379,416.		
Davidson	75,000	225,000
Meredith	50,000	100,000
Salem Academy.......	75,000	225,000
Trinity	150,000	850,000
Wake Forest.........	29,416	88,248
SOUTH CAROLINA—$154,176.		
Converse	50,000	100,000
*Furman	50,000	250,000
*Wofford	54,176	151,704
GEORGIA—$232,233.		
Agnes Scott.........	100,000	250,000
Mercer	32,333	97,000
Wesleyan Female.....	100,000	200,000
ALABAMA—$21,700.		
Howard	21,700	65,100
MISSISSIPPI—$150,000.		
Millsaps	25,000	75,000
Mississippi	125,000	275,000
ARKANSAS—$175,000.		
*Hendrix	175,000	525,000
TENNESSEE—$625,000.		
George Peabody......	$250,000	$750,000
Maryville	50,000	150,000
Union	25,000	75,000
Chattanooga	150,000	350,000
Vanderbilt	150,000	150,000
KENTUCKY—$125,000.		
Georgetown	25,000	75,000
Transylvania	50,000	150,000
Williamsburg	50,000	170,000
TEXAS—$400,000.		
Baylor	200,000	400,000
Southern Methodist...	200,000	800,000
FLORIDA—$50,000.		
John B. Stetson......	50,000	100,000
	$3,052,625	$9,147,132

*Two appropriations made.

Western States.

The subscriptions to colleges in Western States amounted to $3,967,781 toward a total of $19,374,522, as follows:

	Subscribed by G. E. B.	Supplemental Sum.
OHIO—$760,000.		
Marietta	$60,000	$240,000
Oberlin	125,000	375,000
Ohio Wesleyan........	125,000	375,000
*Wooster	275,000	825,000
Western College for Women	50,000	200,000
Western Reserve......	125,000	375,000
INDIANA—$230,160.		
De Pauw	100,000	400,000
Earlham	30,761	133,300
Franklin	49,399	214,063
Wabash	50,000	150,000
*Two appropriations made.		
MICHIGAN—$16,106.		
Kalamazoo	16,106	48,318
ILLINOIS—$300,000.		
*Knox	150,000	600,000
Lake Forest	50,000	350,000
Northwestern	100,000	900,000
WISCONSIN—$290,000.		
*Beloit	150,000	550,000
*Lawrence	90,000	310,000
Ripon	50,000	200,000
MINNESOTA—$350,000.		
St. Thomas	75,000	225,000
Carleton	100,000	500,000
Hamline	50,000	150,000
*Macalester	125,000	575,000
IOWA—$596,515.		
*Coe	146,515	586,000
Cornell	100,000	300,000
Drake	100,000	300,000
*Grinnell	200,000	700,000
Morningside	50,000	150,000
COLORADO—$200,000.		
*Colorado	100,000	700,000
Denver	100,000	300,000
KANSAS—$275,000.		
Ottawa	25,000	75,000
*Washburn	125,000	475,000
Baker	125,000	375,000
MISSOURI—$525,000.		
*Drury	125,000	525,000
Washington	200,000	800,000
William Jewell	125,000	375,000
Central	75,000	225,000
SOUTH DAKOTA—$150,000.		
Dakota Wesleyan	50,000	200,000
Huron	100,000	400,000
WASHINGTON—$125,000.		
Whitman	125,000	750,000
CALIFORNIA—$150,000.		
Pomona	150,000	850,000
Total..............	$3,967,781	$15,406,741

*Two appropriations made.

Eastern and Middle States.

Subscriptions to colleges in Eastern and Middle States amounted to $3,562,185 toward a total of $18,810,124, as follows:

	Subscribed by G. E. B.	Supple'ental Sum.
MAINE—$50,000.		
Bowdoin	$50,000	$200,000
VERMONT—$150,000.		
Middlebury	50,000	150,000
Vermont	100,000	400,000
MASSACHUSETTS—$750,000.		
Amherst	75,000	825,000
Harvard	62,500	62,500
Mount Holyoke.......	100,000	400,000
*Smith	212,500	850,000
Williams	100,000	500,000
Wellesley	200,000	800,000
CONNECTICUT—$400,000.		
Wesleyan	100,000	900,000
Yale	300,000	1,700,000
NEW YORK—$955,000.		
Hamilton	50,000	150,000
Elmira	100,000	200,000
St. Lawrence	50,000	150,000
Wells	100,000	400,000
*Union	175,000	625,000
Rochester	230,000	970,000
Chamber of Commerce, N. Y.	50,000	450,000
Barnard	200,000	800,000
PENNSYLVANIA—$757,741.		
*Allegheny	150,000	550,000
Bryn Mawr...........	250,000	380,000
Bucknell	35,000	125,000
Franklin and Marshall.	50,000	308,512
Lafayette	47,741	381,928
Pennsylvania College..	50,000	150,000
Swarthmore	75,000	425,000
Washington & Jefferson	100,000	400,000
NEW JERSEY—$349,444.		
Princeton	99,444	894,999
Stevens Institute.....	250,000	750,000
RHODE ISLAND—$150,000.		
Brown	100,000	700,000
Women's College......	50,000	150,000
Total	$3,562,185	$15,247,939

*Two appropriations made.

The board had a total fund of $52,000,000 to administer and there is still $34,000,000 of this available for carrying on its work. The third installment of the report dealt with the board's policy of making conditional gifts, and asserted that this policy had brought in $40,000,000 in additional gifts to American universities. In the first section, the appropriations up to June were shown to be $15,894,355.89, and in the second, the way in which the colleges and universities were chosen as worthy of endowment was explained.

PUBLIC FESTIVAL TONIGHT.

Elaborate Musical Programme at Tree in Madison Square.

The Christmas celebration in Madison Square begins tonight with the lighting up of the big tree. It will be heralded by the chimes of the Metropolitan Tower at 5:20 o'clock and five minutes later by a fanfare of trumpets in the square.

After these musical announcements the star on the topmost branches of the tree will be lighted, and a chorus will sing, led by Os-ke-non-ton, a Mohawk Indian. Then as the trumpets resound again, under the direction of Victor Harris, the tree will burst into light from hundreds of small electric lamps. A peace anthem will be sung to the air of "America," under the leadership of Os-ke-non-ton. At the conclusion of the anthem the Mohawk will sing solos. The Joy Brothers will sing compositions by Arthur Farwell to the accompaniment of trumpets and trombones.

A Boy Scout band of 160 pieces—drums, fifes, and bugles—will play under the leadership of Scoutmaster F. B. Bolles. Troops of Boy Scouts from all over the city under Commissioner Lorillard Spencer will assist throughout the celebration.

"The Star-Spangled Banner" will be played at 9 o'clock. Between 9 and 10 o'clock a military band will play. Between 10 and 11 o'clock songs will be sung by the Negro Choral Society of New York, Incorporated. At 11 o'clock the "Star-Spangled Banner" will be played again, followed by songs by "Os-ke-non-ton," the "Pilgrim's Chorus" from "Tannhäuser," "Old Black Joe," by the choral society, and the singing of "America," led by Os-ke-non-ton.

CHRISTMAS AT WHITE HOUSE

President's Little Grandniece, Anne Cothran, to Have a Tree.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—There is to be a Christmas tree at the White House this year. It will be for the sole benefit of little Ann Cothran, the grandniece of President Wilson, who, with her mother, Mrs. Cothran of Philadelphia, and her grandmother, Mrs. Anne Howe of Philadelphia, the President's sister, will be house guests at the White House. Anne Cothran is 4 years old. There will be no celebration in the usual sense at the White House, but the library on the second floor will be given over to the tree.

The President will have three of his daughters with him for Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. Francis B. Sayre have arrived from Williamstown, Mass., and, with Miss Margaret Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. William G. McAdoo, will be at the White House for the holiday. Secretary and Mrs. McAdoo will leave Washington on Saturday for a trip to California.

This is the first Christmas of the Wilson family at the White House. Last year they were at Pass Christian, Miss., for the holidays.

Today the President presented a turkey to each of the White House employes. He distributed 125 turkeys, remembering the policemen as well as all the clerks and servants.

I. T. BUSH A SANTA CLAUS.

Each Child in His Plant Gets Present—Fun at S. P. C. C.

Irving T. Bush, President of the Bush Terminal Company, played Santa Claus to 400 persons in the Bush Aid's Clubrooms at the company's docks in Brooklyn yesterday afternoon. Many presents were distributed, and each of the 105 children at the plant who contributed during the year to the "penny provident fund" was rewarded with a $2.50 gold piece.

The Christmas celebration of the 125 wards of the New York Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children was held last night at the society's headquarters, Twenty-third Street and Fourth Avenue. Mayor Mitchel, who was invited to the celebration by a committee of youngsters ranging from 10 to 13 years of age, sent a letter of regret to George Coella, aged 13, Chairman of the committee, stating that he was unable to attend on account of urgent business. An adult dressed as Santa Claus gave each of the children a present.

John D. Crimmins and his family will provide a dinner and personally attend to serving it at noon on Christmas Day to the inmates of the Home for the Aged, conducted by the Little Sisters of the Poor, in 213 East Seventieth Street.

The Produce Exchange will hold its annual circus for 2,000 children of Lower Manhattan toward the end of the year. The details have not been announced.

NO BONUS FOR STEEL MEN.

Employes of Brokerage Offices Will Suffer a Lean Year Also.

Owing to reduced earnings, salaried employes of the United States Steel Corporation will not receive this year the customary Christmas bonus. This is the first time since the corporation was formed that the management decided to make no extra distribution. Last year, when earnings were in excess of $137,000,000, about $2,000,000 was divided among the men.

While most of the banks and trust companies have ordered customary distributions to be made, it will be a lean year for employes of brokerage offices. The Stock Exchange has decided to make no gifts to its employes, owing to the decreased income its members have suffered because of the long recess of the Exchange.

A number of firms have, however, announced that their men have been restored to a full pay basis, as compared with half-salaries paid while the Exchange was closed. Among them are J. S. Bache & Co., John Muir & Co., and Thomas L. Manson & Co. E. F. Hutton & Co. announced yesterday that their employes were now getting 75 per cent. of their usual pay, and a full restoration would be made as soon as minimum price restrictions were taken off the stock list.

SANTA ON WALDORF ROOF.

Sweep Pops Out of Chimney and Children Are Convinced.

Five children who were playing on the Waldorf roof yesterday morning rushed to the elevator, hurried downstairs, burst out of the door, and, breathless from excitement, surrounded Frederick Eisler, assistant manager of the hotel, who was standing near the desk. Mr. Eisler is known in Peacock Alley circles as the children's friend and the old ladies' confidant.

"Oh, Mr. Eisler, we've just seen Santa Claus!"

"He's on the roof!"

"He's getting out of the chimney now!"

"Come on up quick and take a look at him before he gets away."

So Mr. Eisler permitted himself to be escorted to the roof. Sure enough, a pair of gray whiskers, surmounted by a peaked slouch hat, appeared above the chimney on the Fifth Avenue side of the building. Mr. Eisler recognized them as part of the person and costume of Maney, the chimney sweep of the hotel.

"We've got you, Santa!" cried the children.

Maney started to get out of his sooty berth, but Mr. Eisler waved him back. There was too much soot in his whiskers and his overalls were too black to keep up an illusion long. So Maney amused the children by popping his head out and back until he got tired, and, announcing that he was going to find his reindeer, which he had hitched to the edge of the roof, he stepped back down the chimney.

Fortunately for Mr. Eisler's comfort—it was chilly for a bareheaded man at that altitude, with the thermometer below the freezing point at the street level—the tinkle of the bell of a collector for the Salvation Army kettle on the corner below just then was borne up, and he was able to persuade the youngsters that it was the jingle of the bells on the reindeer, else he believes he would have turned to ice before the children were ready to go downstairs.

PAROLES AS CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

Rev. George D. Huggins Among 70 Released from Prison.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 23.—More than seventy Christmas gifts in the form of paroles from prison were handed out today by the Board of Pardons, among the fortunate convicts being the Rev. George D. Huggins, the aged Burlington County preacher, who was serving a term of five to fifteen years for attacking fourteen-year-old Viola Fallis, a ward of the New Jersey Children's Home Society. Another was John E. Schuyler, twice sentenced to be hanged and then sentenced for life for the killing of Manning Riley in Hunterdon County.

Both of these cases had been attracting much public notice. The South Jersey minister has always protested his innocence. Schuyler recently was exonerated by Frank Bird, another prisoner, who confessed that he was the real slayer of Riley.

BEATEN WOMAN LIES UNAIDED FOUR DAYS

Mother Finds Mrs. Marcella Crawford Unconscious Amid Wreckage of Furniture.

YOUNG NEIGHBOR ACCUSED

Victim of Attack Tells of Desperate Fight—Helpless, She Rapped for Assistance.

When Mrs. Margaret Hunter, who had been visiting her son in New Jersey since Saturday afternoon, returned to her home, 602 East 139th Street, the Bronx, late yesterday afternoon and opened the door she heard her daughter, Mrs. Marcella Crawford, a pretty woman of 25, groaning. Mrs. Hunter hurried into the younger woman's bedroom and found her, half clothed, lying on a mattress on the floor.

Mrs. Crawford's face, neck, arms, and parts of her body revealed by her torn clothing, were black and blue and cut. She was dazed and scarcely recognized her mother. The room was a wreck. The bed had been smashed and lay in pieces about the room.

Mrs. Hunter, frantic at the sight, resuscitated her daughter. Mrs. Crawford said then that she had been attacked and beaten by Thomas Newell, and had lain, most of the time unconscious, since Saturday evening without food. She had been too weak, she said, to move from the mattress. Her feeble raps on the floor apparently had not been heard in the flat below, and she had been too ill to call for help.

Mrs. Crawford said that on Saturday evening Newell, who is 23 years old, had called with his mother, with whom he lives on the floor above. Mrs. Crawford's husband is traveling in the West, and the young woman was alone in the apartment. After a short visit, Mrs. Newell left, saying she expected her husband, who had been taking a nap, would have awakened. She did not return, and at nearly 11 o'clock Mrs. Crawford told young Newell it was time for him to say good-night.

According to the young woman she had gone with him to the door when he seized her and pushed her into her bedroom. She fought him with all her strength, and, enraged, he struck at her. He beat her badly, but terror gave her strength and she fought him off, she said, though in the struggle the furniture was demolished. At last she seized shears which lay on her bureau, and, threatening Newell with these, chased him from the house. Then she collapsed.

Her mother assisted Mrs. Crawford to Lincoln Hospital, where Dr. Lenetska dressed her wounds. He said she had been beaten terribly and warned her mother that an operation might be necessary because of some of the blows. Then Mrs. Hunter went to the Bronx Detective Bureau.

Detectives Digilio and Hegney found Newell at home. He would not discuss the affair except to say that he had been intoxicated. He was arrested and charged with having attacked Mrs. Crawford.

OLD COUNTERFEITER CAUGHT

Davis Traced to Connecticut Village—At Work on $10 Notes.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 23.—Philip Leiberman, better known as John Davis, was arrested today in a small house in an isolated section of the little Village of Marlborough, Hartford County, by Chief William J. Flynn of the United States Secret Service and five assistants, charged with counterfeiting. He was brought to New Haven late to-night and will have a hearing here tomorrow morning before United States Commissioner Wright.

Davis was sentenced to thirteen and one half years in the Federal prison at Atlanta, Ga., for counterfeiting in 1902. Shortly before that he had been arrested in Revere, Mass. He has been out on parole for nearly two years. Chief Flynn had his agents follow Davis during his parole and finally traced him to Marlborough. When the Secret Service men entered the house there today they found dies, presses and other paraphernalia for making ten-dollar notes. An etching of a portion of the latest ten-dollar note was also found.

Chief Flynn says Davis is one of the cleverest counterfeiters in the country. He was arrested in England in 1896, with several confederates. Davis gave King's evidence and was freed, going to Belgium and later returning to this country.

CITY BREVITIES.

Judge Mayer confirmed yesterday in the Federal District Court the composition to the creditors of Andrew Cueno, a bankrupt banker.

A series of lectures on "Vocal Expression," by Miss A. Allen of the University of California and on "Psychological Values," by Miss Estelle Forscheimer of the New York University will be delivered this season under the auspices of the Hunter College Alumnae, beginning Jan. 16.

The police were asked by relatives yesterday to look for Rufus A. Dunham, 60 years old, of 752 Macon Street, Williamsburg, who has been missing since Monday. He was collector for a furniture concern.

At a meeting of the Board of Jewish Ministers yesterday in Temple Emanu-El it was announced that Governor-elect Whitman had stated he will appoint at least one Jew to each Board of Managers of the State hospitals.

HIS QUAIL-DECORATED TREE

Game Warden Found Manhattan Manager Did Not Violate Law.

Assistant Manager Shanks of the Manhattan was telling his latest story to Ralph Cowell, the room clerk, during a lull in the Christmas traffic yesterday, when a man came up to him and said gruffly he understood there were quail in the house, but Mr. Shanks denied the charge.

"I'm a Game Warden," he said, "and my information is supposed to be correct. I have been told you have as many as three. Don't you know it's against the laws of this State to have such game in your hotel?"

Mr. Shanks persisted in his denial, until the room clerk leaned over and whispered something in his ear.

"I beg your pardon," then said the assistant manager. "It is true we have a few quail here, but I am not aware that we are violating any law."

He led the way down the corridor to the door of the tearoom. Under the dome of the ceiling blazed a Christmas tree almost thirty feet tall. Under the tree were grouped several squirrels and near them were three quail, which did not stir as the two men entered.

"There are the quail, but they came from a taxidermist," said Mr. Shank, with a wave of the hand. He was surprised by a guffaw from the other man, who walked swiftly down the corridor toward the Forty-third Street exit. Mr. Shanks does not know whether the gruff man was really a game warden or a practical joker.

POLICE HERE AGAIN ACCUSED

Connected with Chicago Clairvoyant Graft, District Attorney Asserts.

Special to The New York Times.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—The allegation that members of the New York police force, one of them said to have held, if not still holding, a prominent position in the Detective Bureau, have been mixed up in the graft scandal in the Chicago Police Department, now under investigation, was reiterated to day by State's Attorney Maclay Hoyne, who said that he had been in New York in consultation with District Attorney Whitman in regard to the matter. The name of the New York detective was brought into the case by "aBrney" Bertsche. The name of this official is kept secret.

"Assistant District Attorney Delehanty of New York has been in communication with my office for some time," Mr. Hoyne said. "He is seeking more information concerning the charges brought by Bertsche, and there is a good chance that there may be a big shake-up in the New York Police Department as the result of the disclosures made."

Investigation, it is said, has revealed that the New York officials named by Bertsche made repeated visits to Chicago during the existence of the clairvoyant trust and had frequent conferences with Bertsche and others.

Assistant District Attorney Delehanty said last night that there had been no developments in the case since the first charges were made in Chicago by Bertsche.

LEFT $153,637 TO CHARITY.

Bulk of Mary E. Williams's Estate Went to Church Purposes.

Special to The New York Times.

MINEOLA, L. I., Dec. 23.—All but $70,000 of the $223,637 net estate left by Mary E. Williams, who died at Searingtown, L. I., on Dec. 5, 1913, was left to charity, it was learned today when the transfer tax appraisal was filed in the Surrogate's office here.

The amount which will be paid to religious societies is $152,227, divided in this way: Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, $500; Deaconess's Home and Training School of the Methodist Episcopal Church, $2,000; St. Christopher's Home, Broadway and Dobbs Ferry, Westchester County, $3,000. The residuary estate, valued at $116,727, is divided equally between the New York City Church Extension and Missionary Society and the New York East Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

A niece, Mrs. Minnie W. Williams of Salt Lake City, Utah, receives $20,600, and $5,000 is given to each of her two children. Two cousins, Anna A. and Mary E. Purdy of 115 West 117th Street, New York City, receive $15,000 each; Mrs. Edith MacRossie, a friend, wife of Dr. Allan MacRossie of 126 Claremont Avenue, New York City, receives $25,000.

Miss Williams owned a one-half interest in 115 West Forty-second Street, valued at $78,745, and a one-fourth interest in a 100-acre farm at Searingtown, L. I., where she spent the last years of her life. Her personal property is appraised at $115,693.

GAVE LEPER SPECIAL CAR.

Deported Greek's Transportation and Care Cost Government $1,000.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.—Arastasios Loizosva, Greek leper, recently found here, it was learned today, was taken to New York for deportation at an expense of $1,000 to the United States Immigration Bureau.

A special railroad car was engaged at a cost of $500, and permission was obtained from the Board of Health of each State between St. Louis and New York through which the railroad runs. A revenue cutter carried the leper to a steamship.

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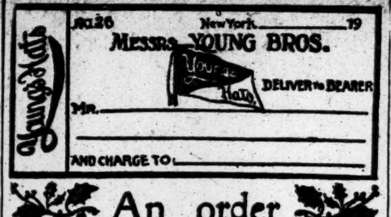

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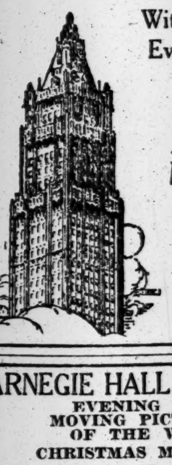

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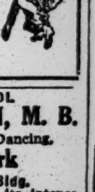

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